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FORD STRIKERS WARY OF MOVE TO ARBITRATE ON SPEEDUP

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New Trial Won For Jiles Curry

PONTIAC.—A new trial has been won for Jiles Curry!

Judge George B. Hartrick has agreed to set aside the conviction and 3½ to 10-year sentence he clamped on this young Negro veteran for defending his trailer home from gun-shooting existers.

After more than three months in jail, Curry is expected to be released on bail pend-

ing a new trial.

Curry's unfair imprisonment might have gone unnoticed had it not been for the exposure campaign conducted by the Michigan Worker.

This paper was the first and only paper to reveal that Curry had had no legal defense and that the judge had not advised him of the consequences of pleading guilty to a charge of "felonious assault."

Interviews by Michigan Worker reporters with eye-witnesses to the "assault" showed that the real guilt lay with those who fired first: Felix McDavitt, manager of the Crystal Beach Housing Project, and his three cohorts.

The eye-witnesses told how wild the bullets flew, while at least one was aimed to kill the Negro tenant. They told how Curry—a laid-off auto workers—had twice offered to pay up his back rent and how the only answer was bullets.

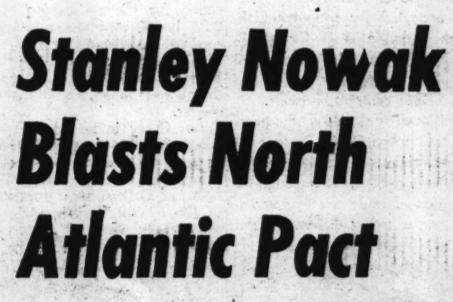
HLES CURRY

When the true facts became known, a committee was formed here in Pontiac to win justice for Jiles Curry. The Civil Rights Congress pitched in, providing the invaluable services of Flint Attorney Mort Leitson. Citizens from all over the state visited the Crystal Beach-Housing project to learn what happened and to see the foul slum conditions there.

Plans are still afoot to hold an Open House in the project on Saturday, June 4—and it is expected that this will start off a major fight to win improved housing.

Attorney Leitson pleaded for re-trial before Judge Hartrick two weeks ago. At that time the judge refused to withdraw the sentence, even though he admitted it was unusually harsh.

Considerations of adverse publicity when the case was taken to higher courts, however, apparently changed the judge's mind and last Thursday he informed the CRC lawyers that he was setting aside the conviction and sentence.



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A car cavalcade organized by the International Workers Order as it toured the Ford Picket lines in De troit.

John Gates Opens Defense of 12

Nowak Blasts Pact As Warlike Move

WASHINGTON. - Stanley No-Sen. Tom Connally (D-Tex) with sharply pointed questions on the North Atlantic Pact.

In testimony last week before Connally's Senate Foreign Rela- By Nat Canley tions Committee, the Detroiter CRAND RAPIDS, Mich.-Cau-strikes even once and spent virtualasked how this country can "justify saddling the war weary peoples of Europe with a new arms race at the Michigan CIO convention when all real authorities agree that split wide open on the issue of the Soviet Union has neither the changing the annual to a bi-annual intent nor the power to attack." convention.

He questioned the Pact's alleged goal of defending democracy

onstrated in China and Greec.

be "a device for our use of European manpower," and blasted its "Western Civilization."

ropean members of the American present. community"-a phrase indicating state treasurer Barney Hopkins was keep his rent from zooming way

war is "needed" to bolster American economy? If this is so, Nowak fellow travelers" seeking to gain Right after President Truman had many practical suggestions of control of unions by "conspiracy, called the 1949 Rent Control Act how better to spend the \$24 bil- intrigue and lies," the resolution a "crushing defeat for the real eshow better to spend the \$24 bil-lion allocated for support of the North Atlantic Pact—for public North Atlantic Pact—for pu housing, slum clearance, new ray, Walter Reuther and Jim Carey net operating income" to mean that the sellout of rent control: schools, playgrouinds, civic cen- in violation of the decisions of landlords could figure in depreters, health centers, hospitals.

This country should send a peace the other Eastern European coun- its over 80 percent auto workers rat holes," said J. W. Smith, presi- houses, rental unit, block and a. m. to noon on Saturdays. tries, he proposed, "to negotiate re-ficers of CIO support the strikes sumption of trade relations and to discuss the major differences that the Bendix workers against the are now keeping us apart."

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cus lines among the 777 delegates ly all his time castigating the Com-

Portugal and with "governments engaged in warfare against colonial peoples."

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The chair, however, declared the bosses' redbaiting game of divide Shore of the Office Workers defeatures of the act." The futility of military measures proposal carried. Resentment ogies, he asserted, has been dem against the convention officials was so high that Scholle declared a secret ballot vote would be taken

Hitlerize concept of defending convention attracted between 1200 Prior to 1947 the Michigan CIO to 1500 delegates, but in the past The Polish-born progressive also two years attendance has dwindled voiced resentment at Secretary of to the 700 to 800 level. Only a State Acheson's phrase; "the Eu- handful of Ford delegates were

> The re-election of Scholle and ous redbaiting resolution carried whittled away. Organized land-Using hysterical phrases of "So-control, and their offensive has viet agents," and "Communist and been paying off. their own autonomous international ciation to get rent increases.

of the 62,000 Ford workers and vicious speedup drive of the em-

THE RESOLUTION backs up Henry Ford's propaganda that the

ployers. He didn't mention the



strike against speedup was due to and rule," declared the statement. than nothing," he said. He indi-About half of President August internal politics and was started The statement was signed by cated that the strikebreaking Bo-Scholle's supporters joined the op-by Communist Ford workers in the delegates from Packard Local 190, nine-Tripp Act would be OK as

lution on the convention floor. Ken Morris, Reutherite president of Briggs Local 212 UAW, told

nounced the administration reso-

the convention: "To listen to the Communists talk you'd think the company was speeding up the workers in every department."

Lee Romano, vice president,

Local 600 UAW, told the convention that all Ford strikers regardless of wings are united for victory on the speedup issue. He de-nounced Ford's charges that union politics was the cause of the strike. The convention voted moral support fort he Ford strike, but Scholle succeeded in knifing a motion for a \$1,000 strike donation.

GOVERNOR G. MENNON (Soapy) Williams said that Michigan has the "worst unemployment compensation law in the country," but that a victory was won in boosting the benefits from \$20 to \$24. "The four bucks is better

Know Your Rights-III.

The Squeeze on Ten

This is the third in a series on Know Your Rights appearing from time to time as a service to readers of the Michigan Worker. Clip it, use it, show it to your neighbors and shopmates.

DETROIT.-A tenants' right to that foreign lands are now regard- assured by the test vote on a vici- out of reach is rapidly being

Council in Detroit.

Repairs and replacements, neglected for a decade in low rental housing, can now be taken out of service employes and caretakers.

Small landlords with up to four rent increases. rental units can secure up to 30 prove" they need up to 25 percent boosts.

Smith-who has devoted years to fighting for tenants' rights-advises

1-Letters and resolutions should "The formula for procedure is ing the ouster of Tighe Woods.

dent of the Downtown Tenants neighborhood to fight rent increases now or later.

3-Rent strikes should be conducted.

4-William Haines, Michigan tenants' pockets as can increased area rent director, should be urged wages won through organization of to declare a 60 day moratorium on processing of all applications for

5-Statements on overcharges Is it true, he asked, that the cold the second day of the convention. lords spent millions to fight rent percent increases and landlords of above ceiling rents, on decreases large units can fill out the forms to in services (including equipment) and on evasive practices should be filed immediately with the Office of Rent Control.

> 6. All organizations should participate in the People's Lobby sage of tighter controls.

Michigan's delegation is being go to President Truman demand- organized by the Downtown Tenants Gouncil, 2906 Hastings, De-Jim Carey in an hour's speech worded so that even the fattest 2-Tenants councils should be troit 1, TE 3-9687, open from 5mission to the Soviet Union and failed to tell the convention with landlord can squeeze through the organized in every apartment 7:30 p.m. weekdays and from 9

the New York trial against capitalism. the Communists that he joined the Party, recruited members and then turned their names over to claiming the need to send the the FBI. He included three hungry people of Western Eurelatives to prove the point.

turn in his own auntie.

HANS FREISTADT, Communist student, upset a group of Senators by earning a scholarship enabling him to study Einstein's Theory of Relativity.

idea, I suppose is to get Gerhardt yond me. It must be their mutual Eisler in a condition so he doesn't love for capitalism. know whether he is coming or going.

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TYPICAL stoolie testified at | To put him on even terms with

BHLLBOARDS are now prorope lots of soap; although the A paid anti-Communist will State Department is worried about sending it.

The people might wash their hands of the Atlantic Pact.

CIO LEADERSHIP says it will join the AFL in a non-Com-The Un-American Committee munist federation. The AFL will now investigate Einstrin's agrees and says it will also join relatives. with the NAM to support the Atlantic Pact. How these gents can THE STATE Department's all sleep in the same bed is be-

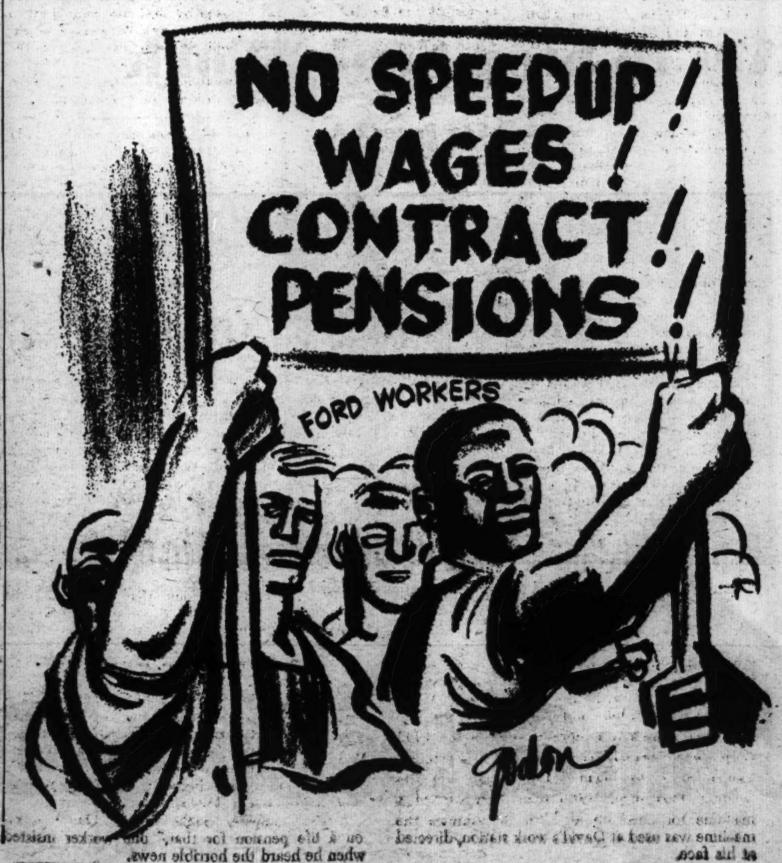
This provides for plenty of

A BRITISH delegate to the United Nations claims there are a million unemployed in the Soviet Union. This man obviously must have gone to school to be able to count a million unemployed.

But why count school children?

BRILLIANT leadership has marked, the great strike agrinst the Ford Motor Co.

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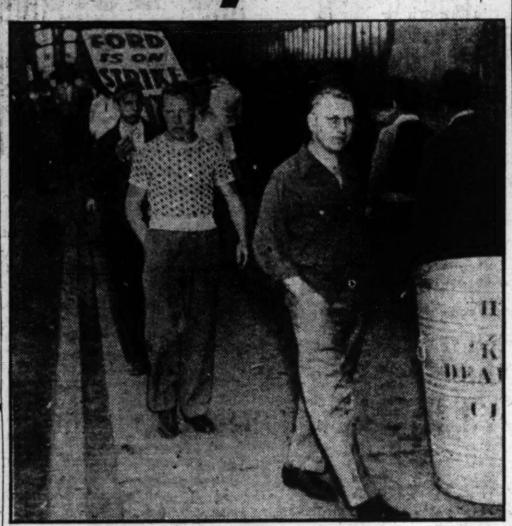
One Cent More Cut Off GM Hourly Rate

DETROIT.-GM workers are due for another one-cent cut in their hourly wage rates. That makes the score minus three cents since Walter Reuther's pet wagecutting escalator contract went into effect last May 29.

At the same time a basic threecent raise goes into effect. This three cents plus the six cents basic raise last year constitute the sum total of wage increases over a two-year period which cannot be eaten away cent by cent every three months if the government index says the cost of living has dropped.

A CM workers still stands to lose five more cents of the whole cost-of-living adjustment received last year. That's what will happen if the index keeps droppingunless, of course, the GM unionists decide to scrap the contract and pitch in for a fourth round.

That's why GM workers now are watching as workers elsewhere fight for and win honest-to-goodness boosts and are kicking themselves for falling for the escalator



SOLIDARITY FROM CLEVELAND-UE strikers from Fewick plant, in foreground, join picketline at Ford Rouge.

Militant Bendix Strikers Act to Stop Scab Work

dix workers came out full force last week and for the first time stopped 1,500 office workers and supervisory employes from en-

tering the plant gates. They suspected that some of the non-strikers had aided in the removal of dies and brake parts contained through writs and injunctions by Ford, Hudson, Packard, Kaiser-Fraser, Lincoln, Cadillac, Nash and Willys-Overland.

A sheriff's writ to remove Willys' dies was foiled when pickets sat down on the street, their bodies preventing trucks from going

through. through a gate guarded only by six pickets.

Bendix Corp. is all out to smash the picket line and the union has filed a charge of unfair labor practice against the company and four of its customers before the regional NLRB. The union complaint hits the Bendix version of a "runaway shop," declaring:

plant to avoid collective bargainwith the rights of employes."

SOUTH BEND.-Striking Ben- 'UAW Must Quit Working on Struck Dies'

DETROIT.-Hudson UAW Local 154 is outraged by the fact that UAW members are working on dies removed from the struck Bendix plant.

"This technique of strikebreaking (removal of work from struck plants into other plants) which had such devastating effects on the union at Campbell, Wyant and Cannon Foundry," Local 154 Executive Board declared, "is effective for the employers only because the Internatinal Union permits UAW members in other plants to perform work normally done by the striking worker. . .

"This formula of strikebreaking (the Bendix plan) if permitted to destroy the Bendix Local, can be used by the auto companies to break any local union because of the company's knowledge in advance that other union members will perform the jobs of the strikers."

The Local asked the UAW International to instruct all Locals not to work on jobs formerly doen by striking UAW members.

A 500-strong picket line sealed speedup up through elimination and (3) drop the million dollar the plant shut a few hours after of downtime, (2) reach an agree-Taft-Hartley suit filed against the 12 policemen, brandishing night- ment on rates and standards union as a result of an earlier fivesticks, had herded 20 plant guards which would prevent speedup, day unauthorized stoppage.

Ford Strikers Can **Forge Victory** On All Counts

RANK AND FILE pressure of the 62,000 Ford strikers can work miracles. Under this pressure last week Walter Reuther retreated from his stand that the strike is limited to a single department issue. He issued an ultimatum to Ford for simultaneous bargaining on the wage, pension and contract demands. The Communist and Progressive Ford strikers were the first to call upon Reuther to take this stand.

But that's only one down and two to go. Reuther now has to remove Ford's argument about meeting CM competition by launching an immediate drive against wage cuts in CM.

He must carry out the Local 600 demand for a short-term holiday and Cadillac Square demonstration in which all of labor backs the Ford

Reuther must be told that the strikers will not stand for any retreat on the speedup issue and that it must be settled with a concrete cutback of speedup before the strike ends.



NAT GANLEY

THAT'S THE basic issue in this strike. Ford has made it clear that he wants the unlimited right to suck superprofits from the Ford workers' blood by speedup, wage cuts and "long-range company security" (a fancy name for union insecurity). Hence a victory against speedup is the opening wedge for a victory on wage increases, company paid for pensions, against layoffs in tool and die, maintenance and transport for the elimination of all the "union insecurity" clauses of the contract.

A retreat or phony settlement on the speedup issue would be the opening wedge for Ford to carry out his full program of making the Ford workers bear the brunt of economic depression.

HENCE ALL who prate that the strike can be solved by a settlement which is favorable to both sides, which will give Ford what he wants and the strikers what they want, are merely paving the way for a rank betrayal of the workers.

Such a betrayal has been prevented so far by the united stand of the Ford strikers on the speedup demands. This unity extends from Tommy Thompson to the Progressives and Communists in the Rouge and includes Reuther's followers in final assembly who launched the strike on May 5.

However, vigilance is the price of liberty. The strikers should therefore take note of the following signs:

(1) The Ford Motor Co. letter of May 15 calling for wage cuts, cuts in production costs at the workers' expense and tougher company-security clauses did not specifically rule out a pension deal. If Ford can get the other things he demands, he loses nothing by offering a pension paid for by the Ford workers them-

(2) Either through Federal Mediation or in backdoor talks a deal may be made which plays up a seeming victory on pensions in return for a union retreat on speedup, wages and contract issues. Such back-door talks have happened in the past. They can happen again.

(3) There's a basic clash between Ford and the united Ford strikers. But while Reuther nominally appears as the militant spokesman of the labor front in this battle, there's no basic clash between his views and that of Ford,

HERE ARE THE FACTS: Reuther says he merely asks Ford for the same setup on production schedules as exists in CM. But CM, equally with Ford, is rampant with speedup.

Reuther says he favors "reductions in the unit costs of production" through improved technology. Henry Ford II says:

"The Ford Co. has been spending ever since the war substantially more to increase the producing capacity of the men in our plants than it has made in profits. . . . The difference is coming out of past profits."

So Ford and Reuther see eye to eye on improved techniques. But Ford is more frank than Reuther and concedes the new techniques are used to increase the "producing capacity of men" (in plain words, to speed them up).

Strike Long Brewing Because of Ford's Speedup on B Building Line

"An employer can't move his By a "B" Building Striker ing duties or coerce or interfere said and written just in the last consistently urged their building, right to strike) on the speedup their own, they are then comtwo weeks about speedup in the local union and International problem. The Bendix management shows "B" Building at the Ford Rouge Union officers to do something At the general membership standards to make up the work

return to automobile production voted on several occasions to use out relief periods to service their DEARBORN.-Much has been The "B" Building workers have the provisions of the contract (the bodies. If they take this time on no signs of meeting the union's plant. Actually the issue has condemands to (1) reinstate 47 pieceworkers fired for refusing to be since the end of the war and the "B" Building workers have by the "B" Building workers for the union's plant. Actually the issue has condemands to the union's plant. Actually th

the action we are now taking.

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of the line) was three minutes, the day. which means that every three Because of the lack of manminutes a completed job came off power on the assembly lines, the each line. The production figure foremen pitch in and help the the eight-hour day.

cycle time is two and a half min- these foremen with sufficient manutes, which means that every 21/2 power to maintain their immediminutes a completed job comes off ate jobs.

pelled to work over production

work for reasons of their own, no replacements are made. This does THE PROBLEM of speedup in not mean, however, that the production for that day is cut in ac-Last December, the cycle time cordance with the manpower. on the Ford trim line (the speed Production is still 384 jobs for

last December was 300 jobs for workers for a short period of time. This is because of the com-Now, five months later, the pany's arbitrary refusal to supply

the line, with a total daily production of 384 jobs, an increase of workers make up lost production 84 jobs, per day.

Further, workers are compelled control, such as bad paint jobs, in many instances to work with-

Cancer? No Compensation! ST. JOSEPH.-Thirty minutes of corporation carelessness destroyed David Kelm's face, workers

here charge. Just 30 minutes, This week, three years afterwards, David Kelm, 48, his face covered constantly by salve, learned that under Michigan law no compensation need be paid, unless he develops a cancer. What a prospect for his wife and daughter!

Three years ago a representative of the 1900 Corp., where David has worked for 13 years, accompanied a Michigan state official into the welding department. With them they carried a machine for checking air. For 30 minutes the machine was used at David's work station, directed and the same and t t his tace.

When David got home that night his wife noticed that his face looked strange. They discussed it, but thought that the blotches would clear up. The next day his fellow workers pointed out that something must be wrong. He was persuaded to go to first aid.

That was the beginning of a long series of treatments that took David from corporation first aid to Grand Rapids, to Chicago. One treatment was painful in after effects, but David got no bet-ter. Exposure to sun, wind, light from his welder's torch is unbearable, because all the pigmentation in his face is destroyed.

The company ought to put David Kelm on a life pension for that," one worker insisted when he heard the horrible news.

Bare Plot to Smear USSR as Anti-Semitic

By Robert Friedman

The New York Herald Tribune slipped. It wrote to the American Jewish Labor Council when it meant to write to the Jewish Labor Committee. The slip provided concrete evidence of the fact that the monopoly press in the United States is engaged in a that they could crook their little fingers to get Gerhart Eisplanned and concerted drive to

planned and concerted drive to smear the Soviet Union and people's democracies as anti-Semitic.

Consider: Within the space of a few short months, Newsweek magazine, the New York Times, Post and World-Telegram, to name just | Pois a few, have run series purporting to "prove" that the Soviet Union is an anti-Semite state. The articles parrot each other with remarkable regularity. Like factory shifts which spell one another, one publication starts its smearing when another subsides.

TRIB NEXT And then the progressive American Jewish Labor Council got this letter, dated May 9:

"Gentlemen: "I should like very much to obtain a copy of the report made by your organization some months ago in Atlantic City, detailing evidences of anti-Semitism in the Soviet sphere. It has come to my attention that your organization is in a position to have valid sources of information on this important

"May I, although belatedly, congratulate you on bringing it to the attention of the public.

"Sincerely, "Keith Spaulding "Night Desk

"Herald Tribune News Service" Is it not curious that the Herald Tribune "news" service should suddenly desire a "report," admittedly months old, on the alleged Herald Tribune were obtained by azine, Literary Gazette, showed

Is it not curious that the Herald Tribune's request coincided with the almost synchronized publication of press stories on the identical subject?

At any rate, the Herald Tribune slipped. Its plea for manufactured "evidences" went not to the reactionary Jewish Labor Committee, creature of David Dubinsky and other rightists, but to the American Jewish Labor Council.

COUNCIL'S ANSWER

editor-in-chief of the Herald Trib- to print the facts.

ence to the report made in Atlan- wants to print and what it intends tic City, that this communication to censor concerning the Soviet was intended for the Jewish Labor Union, the democracies of Eastern Committee. The Herald Tribune Europe, and their treatment of the News Service has, of course, ev- Jews. ports and other pertinent information. The contents of this request, brazen use of lies and forgeries in the Daily Worker has exposed the shortened his name, or used the brazen use of lies and forgeries in diminutive, "Sasha," for "Alexander." The original name, withcongratulations extended the Jew-the existence of anti-Semitism in ish Labor Committee go beyond the Soviet Union. the limits of objectivity and pro- When the New York Times ran fessional ethics to which your a stery (March 20) charging that News Service lays claim.

sole responsibility of its overzeal- toon, and used the word "Zhid," ous and biased author Mr. Keith slurring word for Jews, in the cap-Spaulding, your newspaper should tion, the Daily Worker proved the certainly be interested to inform Times lied. We proved the word to be completely fraudulent. Its and we reproduced the cartoon to incidentally, halt and reverse the contents were fabricated in their prove it. entirety by a clique of professional Result? Faced with the evidence hate-mongers whose design it is to of its deception, the Times printed generate distrust between the people of America and those of East-mitting neither error nor guilt, but

ter, the progressive Jewish organi- "Zhid." zation documented numerous facts But this didn't stop the Times on the "rapid reconstruction of from returning to its program of Jewish cultural and economic life selling the American public on the with the encouragement and sup- anti-Semitic. port of their democratic govern Newsweek Magazine gave the

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Herald Tribune

May 9, 1949

230 West 41st Street, New

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> Sincerely, Berald Tribune News Service

ABOVE IS THE LETTER from the New York Herald Tribune asking for ammunition to be used on its sector of the anti-Soviet campaign. The Tribune meant to write the reactionary Jewish Labor Committee for "evidences" of Soviet anti-Semitism, wrote the progressive American Jewish Labor Council instead.

its numerous delegations to Jewish anti-Semitism by placing, after communities throughout Europe. the pen-names of Jewish writers, They are facts which are detailed their original Jewish names, in paand demonstratable, facts which rentheses. The Times followed on "completely belie the spurious re- May 2, and the Post, on May 3, port issued by the Jewish Labor with the same charge. Committee."

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public as it was to peddle the ing: anti-Soviet lies.

Need you ask what the Trib-In a letter to Whitelaw Reid, une's response was? It has refused the last year, 85 were won by

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The reasons are obvious. The than two population.

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ern Europe and the Soviet Union." granting only that the Soviet car-In the rest of the Council's let-toon had used "Cide" and not

Eastern European countries" fraud that the Soviet Union is

Again, the Daily Worker ex-URGES PRINTING OF FACTS posed the lies. The Daily Worker The Council asked the Herald reproduced part of the page of the Tribune whether it was as willing Russian newspaper Pravda, of to make such facts known to the April 10, which proved the follow-

lin Prizes in art, science, etc. for Jews-and the Jews constitute less of the CIO International Fur and The reasons are obvious. The than two percent of the Soviet Leather Workers Union, "We re- It cited the failure to rally a

> That in every single instance where a writer or artist used a professional name, next to that name, in parentheses, was placed his original name. This was done out the slightest relation to the person's national origin, was

> Clemens.)

growing-respect and admiration of damental treatment of the basic is-millions of American workers,"

"Soviet anti-Semitism," remember how Newsweek lied, how the Post lied, how the World Telegram lied, how the Times lied. Re- program of CIO. They flout and In this manner the m member, too, the 85 Stalin Prizes to fewish citizens of the Soviet Union and how the "free press"

British Workers, Communists Rally o Defend Eisler

If the striped pants set in the State Department thought ler back into their clutches without a murmer from the

British people, they reckoned Committee was formed at a meet-without British workers and, in the first place, the Communist Party of Creat Britain. Party of Creat Britain.

tossed into a Birmingham jail and Union. held for extradition hearings at the Bow St. Court in London-all at the behest of the State Department-a great Eisler defense campaign has been in the making.

Eisler was due to appear in Bow St. Court again on Friday, May 27, after a magistrate, overriding defense protests, granted State Department lawyers on Tuesday a four-day delay. Meanwhile, Eisler was ordered back to Brixton Prison, without bail.

It was before that prison last Sunday that 600 demonstrators gathered to demand Eisler's imthe prison walls called out: "We are speaking to you, Gerhart Eisler. Can you hear our voices?"

A SERIES of protest rallies on the rally assailed "the dirty work the Eisler case has heard such of the Wall Street bankers who ordered Britain to arrest Eisler," and speakers called on the Labor government to "apologize to Eisof American big business."

Council for Civil Liberties, Brit-From the very first day that ish Council for German Democthe German anti-fascist refugee racy and the North London Diswas hauled off a Polish vessel, trict, Amalgamated Engineering

Four trade unions, including the Edinburgh Trades Council, have protested to the Home Secretary over the arrest, and Edinburgh University students demonstrated with placards stating, "Stop witch-hunting for America" and "Let Eisler go back to his na-tive country." Bristol University students, along with visiting students from Cermany, also assailed the seizure of Eisler.

Scottish miners contributed \$200 to Eisler's defense, after Scottish area officials of the National Union of Mineworkers apmediate release. Communist proved the aid upon the request speakers on a sound truck outside of the Communist Party and the Council for German Democracy.

speakers as Paul Robeson and Konni Zilliacus, M.P.; Prof. P. M. S. Blackett, Nobel Prize ler" and "stop serving as the slaves physicist and author of Fear, War and the Bomb, with 50 lecturers IN OTHER indications of Brit- and students of the University of ish resentment at the govern- Manchester, wired their "profound ment's role in the arrest and ex- indignation" at the arrest to the tradition effort, a Release Eisler Home Secretary.

O 'Obey' Edict

The action of the CIO Executive Board was branded • That of several hundred Sta- a "cynical edict" in a declaration of union policy adopted unanimously this week by the International Executive Board

the wishes of the membership.

charge that:

the affiliated international and na- of unions. tional unions of CIO and to their millions of members, states that turn to its tradition of "progressive,

THE DECLARATION, a funcrease, peace added that "in the a few leaders. It is now the dr

ject and scorn any order or in- real mass fight for the repeal of sinuation," the statement ascerted, Taft-Hartley, the lack of "deterthat union representatives on the mined fight" for wage increases. CIO Board must be rubber stamps and other improvements (some for the right wing regardless of officials even proposing no increases at this time), no struggle The declaration contained the for needed social legislation, raiding, disruption of the World Fed-"The latest decree of the C10 eration of Trade Unions, violation leadership, which is addressed to of autonomous democratic rights

It called upon the CIO to replaced in parentheses, according whatever may be decided by the militant and democratically-deterleadership of CIO on all issues, mined policies and program upon In the same way, a book by whether economic or political-re- which its power and prestige were Mark Twain in our own libraries, gardless of how harmful or in- originally based," to stop raiding, will carry on the frontispiece, the jurious it may be to the interests rally the workers for a fourthof the American workers and round of wage increases, discon-American people-must be ac- tinue support for such war meas-The reasons are obvious. The cepted by the membership and by ures as the Marshall Plan and its readers that the Jewish Labor was actually the name of Andre Committee's Atlantic City report Cide, the French author. We it can best peddle the big lie that charged that the Times lied in allowing and fascism are lidentical by convincing us that the contract of the Eastern Europe, has been checked leging that the figures in the carby this organization and found toon were hook-nosed caricatures, Soviet regime is anti-Semitic. And union democracy."

"The CIO was created by the American Jewry for the firm So- sues facing labor-the fight against concluded. "It belongs to the viet support to the national aspi- speedup, layoffs, for a wage in- workers. It is not the property of When next you hear or read of face of the impending new eco-nomic crisis and far-reaching po-member of the CIO to fight to litical persecution in our country—
we find that certain leaders of CIO
shamelessly abandon the original
in the hands of its membership violate all democratic principles in the formulation of programs and in the administration of the affairs of the CIO, and they adopt policies which are disastrons to the people's onward meach to the people of the people o

Figures Prove Extent of Exploitation

How Joe Auto Worker Gets Rooked



By Lee Marsh

Instructor, Michigan School of Social Science

MILITANT FORD WORKERS now leading the fight against profit-sucking speedup would be interested in this bit of conversation overheard in the metal shop of the Chrysler-Kercheval plant. One worker was saying to another:

"I heard we work TWO hours for ourselves-for the wages we receive-and SIX hours for the bosses each day. It sounds true to me."

He was very near the truth!

Let's take the year 1948 and see what the score was on the exploitation of Joe Auto Worker. In 1948 there were 771,000 production wage-workers in U. S. auto and auto pany spies, lobbyists for big busiparts plants (U. S. Bureau of Statistics). That same year tising or the elaborate but largely these workers produced 3,908,000 automobiles, 1,366,000 wasteful dealer apparatus, etc. trucks and a huge amount of replacement parts and accessories (Wards Automotive Reports).

By dividing the number of wage-workers into the number of autos and trucks produced, we find that the average auto worker worked man-hours equal to 5.07 automobiles

and 1.77 trucks. The average automobile sold for \$2,000 f.o.b. Detroit and the average truck for \$2,700 (computed on basis of car same wage as the average producprices and number of each make sold, from figures in Wards tion worker (some more, some less), Automotive Reports, UAW Ammunition and Moody's business weekly). Multiplying the number of autos and trucks these salaried workers should be per auto worker by their retail price, we see that Joe Auto one fifth of the cost (wages) of the

Worker produced \$10,140 worth of automobiles and \$4,780 worth mate of the mark-up between facof trucks in 1948.

And that was not all. The retail parts and accessories.) price of all the spare parts and ac- workers into this figure, we find cessories produced in 1948 was that Joe Auto Worker also profour billion four hundred and duced \$5,720 worth of spare parts twenty million dollars (\$4,420,000, and accessories in 1948. 000). (Figure computed on basis of Ward's Automotive Reports on fac- trucks and spare parts produced by paratus of autos and spare parts is Mrs. Beiswenger urged Detroittory total price and adding 70 per- Joe Auto Worker in 1948, we get

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number of cars and trucks pro- rest of the government simply SOCIALISM

The raw material in the spare interests of the people. parts and accessories produced by WHAT THIS EXPLOITATION Joe Auto Worker in 1948 cost at the outside \$748. Thus the total cost of raw material out of the \$20,640 was \$2,600.

Another necessary cost is the wages of the 197,000 salaried employes in the industry. A great many of these salaried employes are unnecessary such as the comness, personnel working on adver-

We can conservative reduce the figure to 150,000 necessary salaried employes. The necessary cost for these must not include the fabulous salaries of the executives, nor their bonuses, pensions, etc. Considering that all told the average salaried worker should get the production workers (150,000 to 771,000 or \$500.

tory and consumer prices of spare The necessary cost of fuel, elec-\$700 for each \$20,640 worth of production.

> essary cost of the distributive appeople achieve full liberation." handling, transportation, gas, etc. A. M. E. Church, 585 Frederick.

ers-for we do not yet have ac- only \$4,300 out of each \$20,640 of can afford to be ignorant on the production. Joe Auto Worker got history, struggles, needs, aspira-\$2,500 in wages and he was robbed tions of the Negro people," Mrs. of the rest-\$13,840.

Yes, Joe Auto Worker produced material that sold for \$20,640 in received \$2,500 and was robbed tive works on these matters, can 1948. But his average wage was of \$13,840, which juicy sum went help us to understand what needs only \$2,500. Where did the rest of in the first place to the fabulously doing now and in the future to the money go to, namely \$18,140? wealthy families that own the auto break the chains which will Part of it went to necessary costs. plants but do not work to produce shackle the Negro people and drag Of the major part of it he was automobiles. It also went to the down their white brothers and sislargely unnecessary, parasitic ad-ters." Let's add up the necessary costs vertising and auto retail and wholeso we can see exactly how much sale sales industries.

The cost of advetrising, conwas filched from Joe Auto Worker by the capitalists. The amount of tributions to the NAM for union the robbery is obtained by subtracting from the grand total for pushing anti-labor and warlike food consumption, according to the (\$20,640) the average wage and laws cannot properly be consider- Department of Agriculture, has

The raw material in an average duction process. Nor can most of the profits and automobile costs \$250 and in the salaries of the dealers who rob the average truck \$330. By multiplying the raw material cost by the public by exorbitant price mark-ups and perform a largely unnecessary function be considered necessary costs. Distribution could efficiently be taken care of by large garages and showrooms, one for each section of a community.

We also exclude corporation taxes. All the welfare the people secure from the government is more than paid for by direct payroll taxes, sales taxes, etc. The

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duced by Joe Auto Warker we get functions for the welfare of the . If there was socialism in the owners of industry and against the U. S. today, Joe Auto Worker

dollar the auto worker received in sixty, etc. wages in 1948, he produced \$5.50 For under socialism the means for which he got nothing.

live on his labor.

was 550 percent!

would receive the value of this \$13,640. He would receive it by double or triple wages, by a 30hour week, by a month's vacation The fabulous sum of \$13,840 of with pay, by lower prices and which Joe Auto Worker was robbed lower rents and by a complete sysin 1948 was sucked out of him pri- tem of social security from the marily by back-breaking speedup. cradle to the grave, including free This robbery means that for each medical attention, full pensions at

of life are not owned by a few For every \$1.60 he got as an fabulously wealthy families. The average hourly wage, he produced whole people own the means of \$8.80 extra for the capitalists who life. A man's or woman's job is not controlled by private capitalists. Joe Auto Worker should have Production is not for profit but for made an average of \$10 an hour in use.

order not to be robbed, in order to NOTE: The next article in this get the full production of his labor. series will discuss more in detail The rate of exploitation in 1948 what socialism in the U. S. would mean for Joe Auto Worker.

Import of Negro Liberty Is **Topic of June 3 Aptheker Talk**

DETROIT.-The Michigan School of Social Science chose The Road to Negro Freedom as topic tricity, depreciation and replace- of its "graduation exercises" on ment is generously estimated to be June 3, according to Director Ann Beiswenger, because "our students have learned that there is no free A generous estimate of the nec-dom for America unles the Negro

\$500 out of every \$20,640. Most ers to attend the lecture by Hercent which is a conservative esti- a grand total of \$20,640. (This of the necessary cost of the retail bert Aptheker which will be acsale of autos is covered by 'the companied by cultural program at extra charge to the consumer for 8 p.m. next Friday at the Bethel

> Thus, the necessary costs total "No American, Negro or white, Beiswenger asserted. "Dr. Apthe-Yes, Joe Auto Worker in 1948 ker, the author of many authorita-

> > LESS FOOD CONSUMED By Federated Press

High prices since 1946 have busting propaganda, lobbying costs forced people to eat less. Percapita el as necessary costs in the pro- dropped about 5 percent since that

Council Drops Fight On Hike of Gas Rate

DETROIT.-The City Council betrayed consumers last week by dropping its pending court battle against a \$5,500,-000 annual-rate increase for the Michigan Consolidated Gas Co.

Councilmen Miriani, Edgecomb, Garlick, Kronk, Oakman and Smith befriended the gas company over objections by Council President Edwards and Councilman Connor.

James H. Lee, assistant corporation counsel, said the recommendations of his office to fight utility rate hikes had never before been ignored in his 25year experience.

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Session Closes with Demo Vows Ditched

LANSING.-The State Legislature recessed last week after a session that will go down as one of the biggest busts in Michigan history. Its record is particularly disappointing

when compared to the campaign changed just enough to permit the courts to declare it constitutions state administration which had enough of a minority in the tional. The Hutchinson Actlegislature (48 of 132) and enough which prevents government worksupport from some Republicans to ers from striking-was not even have produced much more.

Gov. C. Mennen Williams and men. his ticket campaigned on a platform of outright repeal of the Bonine-Tripp Act and the Hutchinson Bill, for a corporate profits

Solve to the board, even though the state budget is from \$30,000,-000 to \$50,000,000 in the red. tax, drastic upward changes in the State employes were denied a Workmen's Compensation and Unemployment Compensation and Service Compensation Compe Unemployment Compensation Service Commission (with no ad-Acts, higher wages for state em- ministration protest) and the \$60 ployes, better care for the men-tally sick, improved old age pen-classifications was largely negated sions and a bridge for the Straits by failure to make budgetary apof Mackinac.

promises were \$4-\$16 weekly in- the mentally sick and not a single creases in workmen's compensa- word was uttered about the retion benefits, \$2 weekly increases habilitation of Michigan's Upper ers Order delivered 100 gallons of for unemployed workers and \$10 Peninsula. monthly increases in old age bene. Instead of presenting a unified picketline one hot day last week, fits. These increases, while wel- front to fight for legislation of income, are far less than expected. terest to the people, the adminis- donated and squeezed the lemons

Ross Sues Jimcrow Lunchroom for \$500

DETROIT. - Louis Ross, Negro factory worker, is suing a discriminatory lunchroom proprietor his campaign manager and chairfor \$500. His suit is being man of the Democratic State Compressed by attorney Arthur Bow- mittee (most interested in legislaman, retained by the Civil Rights tion affecting horse racing), and congress.



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The anti-labor Bonine-Tripp tration has been almost totally dis-Business smile blandly from the the striking workers. galleries.

This lack of fight can be blamed on Williams, on H. Griffith Hicks. Scholle, whose general attitude has been that of a patronagehungry party hanger-on.

Scholle-in his haste to tie the their "honesty, integrity and lib- and fed the strikrs. eralism." This statement alienated necessary Republican votes from workers struggle is reminiscent of the support of progressive legisla- those days.

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Strikers

DETROIT.-The Garibaldi Lodge of the International Workice cold lemonade to the Ford

The men and women who agreed that their labor was well Act still remains on the books, organized, fighting over political spent when their gift was accepted bones while representatives of Big gratefully and enthusiastically by

> Other nationality groups are organizing canteen brigades to bring little comforts to the strikers. Most of the members are auto workers who feel that the present struggle against Ford's inhuman speedup is being waged in behalf of all workers and its outcome affects them deeply.

Croups of foreign-born workers were very active in the victorious labor movement to the coat-tails battle in the thirties to organize the of the Democratic Party-issued a auto industry. Foreign-born workstatement in the midst of the ers, many of them unemployed, spring elections denouncing any served as pickets, collected food, and all Republicans regardless of turned over their halls, cooked for

Action is support of the Ford

Local 142 Members One third of U. S. homes lack Aid Bendix Strikers

WILLOW RUN.-This month's membership meeting of Kaiser-Frazer UAW Local 142 voted to send \$500 from the local treasury and some \$7,000 from special assessments to striking Bendix workers. Some rightwingers indicated that this generosity stemmed from gratitude that the strikers (forced by the International) had allowed K-F dies to be shipped out of the struck plant.

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WITH 200 FORD STRIKERS a day applying for relief why is it that "labor's friend" City Councilman George Edwards, makes no squawk about the fact that after five days of the union shooting in applications to the Welfare Department, only one worker had received welfare relief?

Also why haven't Edwards and Councilman Connors and Edgecombe, all three of whom were elected with organized labor's support, made a squawk about Ford strikers being forced to work for 10 cents to 31 cents an hour less by the relief authorities?

Neither of these three "friends of labor" has seen fit to take issue with State Sen. Colin Smith, former member of the redbaiting, witchhunting Callahan Committee, who branded strikers as "outlaws" not fit to be given relief checks.

The workers will remember these so-called friends of labor when they come up for re-election in November. Back in the 1941 strike when this type of strikebreaking by welfare authorities was practiced the strikers threw picket lines around the welfare offices and relief came in a hurry.

Walter Reuther, UAW president, the other night at the Coliseum said that the documents he was reading telling about the Ford company's orders to supervision to speed up the lines, came "from the FBI.

What Reuther should have said was that last fall the Michigan Worker published the story about Bugas meeting with supervision where he said it wouldn't hurt workers to work up to 125 percent production.

Reuther Raider Angelo Bommarito, one of the sluggers whom the FE-CIO workers at East Moline took good care of when Bommarito was down there some months ago trying to "win" the FE workers into the UAW, is an uneasy boy these days-if you see him around just ask him why? He might tell you it's because the FE-CIO got a warrant out for his arrest, or he might not tell you-it depends.

While Ford workers need relief it's a good question to ask Walter Reuther why 75 organizers are being paid to raid FE-CIO, a sister union. These 75 organizers just cost the union \$11,000 a week, because they get in wages a minimum of \$150 a week.

Why don't these birds turn over their week's salaries to the Ford strikers and get on that picket line at Rouge or Lincoln where the battle of 1949 for the UAW is now going on?

Also these organizers are hiring professional handbill distributors at \$25 a head to put out leaslets to FE workers.

John Knight, publisher of the Detroit Free Press, which printed editorials against the Ford strikers, this last week broke into cheers for CIO president Philip Murray because of Murray's announcement that there would be a purge of left wing union leaders from CIO.

Knight is the owner of two strikebound newspapers, the Miami Herald and the Chicago Daily News, which has been picketed for 16 months by the Typographical Union, AFL. Strange people to be cheering CIO.

Also strange is why a known Ford Motor Co. press agent was allowed into the Ford strikers rally last Thursday at the Coliseum,

where he was publicly scribbling notes like mad.

And where was he located? Not under the platform, where the Ford keyhole listeners used to hang out, but right in the press box, three seats away from Frank Winn, UAW press director.

Back in the 1941 strike we remember seeing a Ford press agent trying to sneak into the rally that ratified the first union contract with the company. He was uncovered and escorted out of the meeting by the union workers.

Biggest surprise to pickets last week on the Ford picket lines were the four Dearborn policemen who came to one gate and handed pickets free candy. One cop said that he didn't mind his name, badge number and address being printed in newspapers. Well, if there is one decent cop, we might as well leave him on the police force, because he sure would get his walking papers if we printed his name and address.

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National Board Acts to Split CIO by Ultimatum to Unions

The recent meeting of the top CIO officials reviewed and note taken of the meaning of some of their decisions—as seen by The Worker's labor editor, George Morris.

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The South and the Nation — New Trends vs. Bourbon Aims

Two searching articles on the rising freedom movement of Negro Americans and efforts to stop it by the fascist Dixiecrats and their agents in the trade union rightwing.

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BROOKLYN RALLY ASKS SWIFT TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL



A call for repeal of the Taft-Hartley law and a return to the Wagner Act was sounded as Brooklyn unionists demonstrated at Borough Hall.

JOHN GATES OPENS DEFENSE FOR '12'

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by William Z. Foster

IN DEFENSE OF THE
COMMUNIST PARTY AND
THE INDICTED LEADERS

-See Section Two

Police Murders, Violence Rock Mexican-American Mining Towns

Father of 12 Dies; Murderer **Out on Bail**

By Pat Bell

PUEBLO, Colo.-Is District Attorney Mabry trying to cover up for law enforcement officers guilty of the cold-blooded murder of one Mexican-American and the wounding of another? This is what the people of Aguilar, Colo. are asking as a result of the murder of Jose Ezequiel Martinez, 53 year old father of 12 children, shot to death by Marshal "Casey" Brennan on Sunday, April 24.

Mr. Martinez, a county em-ployee, was walking his son-inlaw, Jimmy Maes home at 2:30 a.m. after having secured the latter's release from jail where Mar-shal Brennan had put him for "disturbance." Ignacio (Nash) Borrego, Jimmy's brother-in-law, was with them. "Casey" Brennan, known as a heavy drinker, and deputy marshal Bergamo, a six-foot tall, wealthy retired rancher, began following them without apparent reason.

ing a dark empty lot toward the Martinez home, Brennan and PROVO, Utah.-Wage increas-Bergano caught up with them and a brief argument took place. Bertook the back seat at the Utah of cops. gamo knocked Maes down, and CIO Convention as NAM head THE MINERS refused to fall "Casey" Brennan then fired three Wallace F. Bennett and Phil Mur- for this booby-trap of force and shots, one killing Jose Martinez ray's lieutenants together applaud- violence, taking precautions to preand the other two seriously ed a program aimed at expelling vent any excuse for police interwounding Ignacio Borrego.

press murder charges against same thing as the union member- the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workcharges could not filed until after old age."

he had orders from the D.A. to re- nism. lease Brennan because no charges had been filed. The family imme-for expulsion of the International meeting of 300 at Bayard, initidiately went to Trinidad and filed Union of Mine, Mill, and Smelter ated by the Mine, Mill Union murder charges with the Justice of Workers. A Constitutional provi- The Association has established: the Peace.

Danny Urioste, 14; Max Martinez, Nazis and members of the Ku

hundred-year long suppression of sion." the Mexican-American people in the Southwest.

Funds to fight this case are needed at once. They should be Family-Life Struggle sent to Mrs. Jose Ezequiel Marti-Aguilar, Colo.

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As the three men were cross- Working Needs

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scene of their crime. The Trinidad Bracken Lee was sidetracked and Lupe Borrunda and Antonio Paraa. authorities picked them up at 7 a mild criticism of some of his The men were held prisoner a.m. Mr. Martinez' daughters welfare-crippling and school-cut- and were not allowed to be visited found him lying alone and dead ting policies substituted. Demands by family or friends. The police in the empty lot. Borrego and to consider "fourth-round" wage continued their furious drive Maes were taken to the hospital increases and for an end to raid- against the miners, arresting ing were smothered so that "ex-Ramon Arozola, Sammy Conzales, The following day a member of union leader" Dan Edwards could Jimmy Rodriguez and Johnny Ava-Mr. Martinez' family went to Trin- assure the delegates "that the los. idad (Las Animas County seat) to average business man is after the Leaders of the Miners Union

riff, who first tried to deny Bren-further sacrifice of good C.I.O. charges. nan was loose, but then said that members on the altar of Commu-

Brennan is now out on \$10,000 holding office in CIO unions the front of his leg and therebail, while in nearby Pueblo, three was adopted, and then clarified as Mexican - American teen - agers, an afterthought to include fascists, 14; and Lee Mora, 16; are denied Klux Klan. Still another Constitubail while awaiting trial for the alleged shooting of James Mulvihill.

THESE CASES must be seen ing to comply with National against the background of brutal C.I.O. policies subject to expul-

Navajo Miners Win

nez, widow of the dead man at Fewer Navajo workers will be charges "but that he would throw available for off-reservation agricultural employment for Utah this year than last, reports the Utah Department of Employment Securtality and to protect its victims. Help can be given by asking interior.

for the first time live with the Art Flores, Box 36, Bayard, New , Salt Lake City miners new Tropenson Avan Co Mexico.

Miners Plan **Defense** to Cop Brutality

FIERRO, N. M.-Trigger-happy Deputy Sheriff Lem Watson emptied a pistol into a crowd of Mexican-American miners and their wives outside a dance hall May Day Eve. Three men, Ruben Arazola, Lopi Marguey and Valdemor Herrera, were wounded by the wild spray of bullets. The enraged crowd defended itself with rocks, finally overturning the sheriff's car to prevent his continuance of the attack.

On May Day the police force of all mining towns in Grant County smashed through the Mexican-American communities, arresting Macario Chavez, friend of the wounded Ruben Arazola who was being baited by the deputy sheriff just before the shootings.

Chavez, protesting the police intimidation of Arozola, was arrested for his protest. The sheriff began to slug the men while at-tempting to herd them to his car. May Day nite, the police attempted to provoke a riot at another dance. The hall was sur-

progressive-led unions like Mine, ference. Refusing to be intimidated, they continued the dance. MARSHAL BRENNAN and A resolution calling for the res-Deputy Bergamo ran from the ignation of Gov. J. (Economy) and arrested Anastasio Avalos,

Brennan with District Attorney a decent living standard and ers Local 890, President Angel Mabry. Mabry told him that enough savings to live on in his Bustos and ex-secretary Clint Jencks protested the mass arrests the inquest, which will be held The main resolutions adopted to the police. Jencks was threatwhenever Borrego is well enough included one calling upon Murray ened with a "back-room beating" and the C.I.O. Executive Board to and was finally slugged by Sheriff Two days later, friends phoned take the necessary steps to rein- McDonald on a third visit of profrom Trinidad that they had seen state a clean single International test though accompanied by a "Casey" Brennan walking around Union for all non-ferrous metal lawyer C. C. Royall. Royall now town. The family phoned the she- workers under C.I.O. to avoid the refuses to aid Jencks to press

The Crant County Chapter of the National Association of Mex-

fore was not running away from arrest; that some of those arrested were held over 10 days

without bail; that those imprisoned were forced to sign "confessions" to crimes never committed;

that the charges are fantastic, beginning with disorderly conduct and including "attempted arson," "unlawful assembly" and "participating in a riot."

The District Attorney Thomas SALT LAKE CITY, Utah. P. Foy admitted that he had no

At Bingham center of copper production Navajo miners greeted the decision classifying Bingham as a reservation so that families can Financial help should be sent to

Rocky Roundup

The Conditions of the Indian People And the Responsibility of Progressives

By Morris Graham

Chairman, Communist Party of Arizona

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One out of every four children of the Papago Indians of Arizona dies during the first year of life.

Seventeen years constitutes the life expectancy.

There is more typhoid on the Navajo Reservation than in the entire state of New York.

Indian field workers carry disease back to the Reservation from the unspeakably unsanitary labor camps. Seventy-five percent of all Navajo children receive no formal

education. The Navajo family, averaging more than five persons, has been subsisting on a \$250 average annual income.

Only 2 percent of the 64,000 Navajos are qualified for skilled work.

These and many more of the terrible grievances and conditions under which the Indians of the Southwest live were revealed by 75 delegates, representing 125,000 Indians of 19 tribes in Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado and Utah, at the annual southwest conference of the National Congress of American Indians held in Phoenix

These conditions may shock the average American, but they are only typical of the results of the ruthless, bloody and inhuman conquest of the Indian tribes from the day Columbus discovered America to the present.

UP TO NOW the government's program has been generally a failure. This has been due mainly to plotting and conniving of certain predatory interests to separate the Indians from the rest of their natural resources and throw them onto the labor market as cheap labor. Treaties have been violated, ignored, and as in the case of the California Indians, even hidden from them. Plans have been advanced with the same objective. There have been, with few exceptions, incompetency, cynical disregard of Indian rights, and the total lack of a basic policy for the complete freedom and independence of the Indian people.

Secretary of Interior Krug has advanced a 10-year program expending \$90,000,000. He introduced it as a bill in the 81st Congress with the blessing of President Truman. But Assistant Secretary of Interior Wm. E. Warne shows its inadequacy. Speaking before the Indian Rights Association, Philadelphia, on January 27, 1949, he had to admit that "even this program is inadequate . . . and would have to be followed by a second 10-year Navajo program, and that by a third 10-year Navajo program. After 30 years' . . the Government would be in a position to BEGIN THE WORK." (Warne's emphasis.)

While one cannot have a quarrel with most of the projects listed in the bill, such as irrigation projects, schools, etc., the thing that strikes one is its complete inadequacy. In our opinion it should be called a very short range program and not as Krug does, "long range." Spread 90 million over 10 years and you have \$9 million a year. (Incidentally, this 10-year plan covers both Navajos and Hopis.)

A minimum of \$90,000,000 a year should be spent on the Navajo program alone if the terrible conditions brought out at the April NCAI conference are to be properly attacked. And what of the Papagos, Cocopahs, Pimas, and other impoverished and diseasestricken Indians of Arizona, not to speak of dozens of other tribes throughout the country who are in as bad a condition as the Navajos and Papagos?

WE COMMUNISTS believe that the real long-range program for the American Indians—the permanent solution—that will make them a happy, prosperous people, independent and free, with their culture developed and encouraged, can only come when the Indian peoples together with the great mass of democracy-loving American workers; small farmers and professionals, will have established socialism-common ownership of all the great resources for benefit of the vast majority. The Indian peoples well know the advantages of common ownership and collective effort-this is how they have lived since time immemorial.

Yet, there is urgent necessity for fighting for the immediate improvement of conditions for the Indian people. And in this struggle, one important factor is the national unity that has been established between the various tribes through the National Congress of American Indians. Within a few years it has become the recognized spokesman of the Indian peoples of the United States and Alaska.

Its program is to establish full citizenship rights by abolishing all federal and state restrictions and discriminations; to fight for improvement of educational, health and housing conditions; to provide jobs and improve the living standards; to collect just claims; to fight for self-government, and to bring the plight and demands of the Indians to the whole country. Every progressive organization and individual should support the NCAI. Common actions should be developed between Indians and non-Indians around mutual demands.

The white worker and farmer must extend a hand to his red brothers if America is to become a land of jobs, constantly rising living standards, full democratic and civil rights for all, an educated and cultured people, living in a world of peace. Together with the Negro and Mexican peoples, and all who suffer under the iron heel of the economic royalists, we, the common people, have a continent to win, not for the privileged few, but for the many,

Arrest Pickets Demanding Probe Aged Utahns Into Death of Mexican Youth

DENVER.-Last December, Rubin Garcia, 14-yearold Mexican-American youth was found hanged at the State Cut \$7 to \$20 Industrial School for Boys at Golden, Colo. The Committee

to Organize the Mexican People (COMP) immediately rallied a mass delegation of 150 which visited Gov. Krous. He was "too busy" to provide restitution to the family; just as in the recent session of the State Legislature, he had been "too busy" to put up a fight for the sorely-needed legislation which the Democratic Party had promised the people.

Angered by the governor's refusal to do anything about the youth's death, the people of the delegation decided to picket the governor's house. About half of them went to the governor's home and formed a picket line which chanted: "Investigate Golden! Clean up Golden! Justice for Ruben!"

This was more than the authorities had bargained for. The Chief of Police and the City Attorney rushed to the scene to arrest the pickets in an attempt to cut off the campaign by intimidation. Nineteen people were arrested that At Colo U. night and thrown into jail. The charges were "loitering and distribunce." Rent Hearings

The police court found the 19 guilty, even though the police could not produce a single witness to testify to his being "disturbed." The case was then appealed to the County Court, where the defen- orado following two organizational dants were denied trial by jury. gatherings, successfully held its The city contended and the court first meeting recently. A faculty ruled, that the only way the defendants could get a trial by jury was for the defendants to pay a jury fee. The 19 refused to do so tion to Marxist Philosophy" to the claiming their constitutional right 70 attending students, Following to trial by fury. The trial proceeded under their protest.

COMP is appealing the case to the State Supreme Court.

Copper Mines Slow Down To 5-Day Week

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah-Cutbacks in the brass-goods fabri- Young Progressives, recognized cating plants of the East made student organization, its right to themselves felt throughout the present a debate, "Should Marxism Western copper mining industry Be Outlawed in the United this month with the reduction of States?" The debaters were to be the work-week at all operations of Senator Neal Bishop, a Democratic the Kennecott Copper Corp. in State Senator, and William Taylor, Utah, Nevade and New Mexico. Communist leader of Washington.

Workers at the gians corpora- D. C. Under the pretext that the tion's operations in the three states student club had not met the neceswere notified that the 6-day week, sary regulations, the administration instituted during World War II banned the debate. as a production booster, would be fected. The work week reduction will hit the copper miners and milla 5-day, 40-hour week with 52 hours pay.

First to be notified of the cutback were the Nevada and New Mexico operations. The Utah announcement followed a week later.

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Get Pensions

SALT LAKE CITY-Reductions in the allotment from \$7 to \$20 went into effect for Utah's old people with the May Old-Age Pension Checks. Along with the checks a callous message from Governor Lee's Welfare Board went to each recipient of the Old-Age Pension

"It is now necessary to place greater emphasis on resources such as contributions from relatives and increased responsibility from employed family members".

The old-age allotment has been styled a "pension" but is actually relief and Utah's citizens beyond the age of 65 were barely able to exist on it before Lee's "economy" drive came into effect. As it stands now after rent has been paid Old-Age Pensioners will have less than \$20.00 per month to spend on food, clothing and incidental ex-

The decrease in the old-age pension plus the rising unemployment has confronted the state with the most serious welfare crisis since the early 30's.

Progressive organizations including the Old-Age Pensions and Assistance Organization, the State CIO, the Progressive Party are calling for a special session of the legislature to take up such problems as this and others that were ignored by the do-nothing 1949 session of legislature.

FARM PRICES DROP

Since January, 1948 prices of farm products have fallen about 15 percent.

COMO hemos ido anotando en esta columna dedicada a los trabajadores de habla española, las actividades de los Mexicanos-Americanos aumentan en calidad, a pesar de los mal intencionados. cuya única canción es la imposibilidad de la organización de la gente mexicana.

Con la fundación de la Asociación Nacional Mexicana Americana en Phoenix, Arizona, y el acuerdo de organizar cada uno de los cinco estados del sudoeste, las actividades en el estado de Colorado empezaron a tomar incremento.

En una reunión estatal celebrada en Pueblo, Colorado, a la que atendieron delegados de varias partes del estado y representando los sindicatos de las industrias mas importantes del estado: Empacadoras de carne, acero, minas de carbón, minas de metal, ferrocarriles, y la industria azucarera. Allí se discutió el trabajo y se planearon las actividades, cuya culminación sería la convención estatal los días 7 y 8 de mayo.

Que surgieron dudas, vacilaciones y confusión? Esto es natural de todo grupo nacional oprimido que, carente de experiencia y escaso de fuerzas competentes, empieza a despertar de su situación y a buscar el camino de la solución.

Una vez encontrada ésta y analizadas las posibilidades, el elemento mexicano se dedicó con entusiasmo y vigor a las actividades que culminaron en un tremendo éxito: la fundación de la Asociación Nacional Mexicana-Americana en Colorado.

La fiesta fué un acontecimiento literario-social al que asistieron alrededor de 1,000 personas y terminó con un animado baile, amenizado por el talentoso director de orquesta Jimmy Luevano y sus once muchachos.

La convención en Epworth Center también fué un hecho resonante, como la caracterizó un obrero: "Esta ha sido una de las raras ocasiones que he visto la democracia en acción."

Con la valiosa asistencia del conocido dirigente de los obreros de las empacadoras de carnes, Refugio R. Martínez, quien viajó desde la ciudad de Chicago, Ill., a invitación de la dirección estatal. Así como también la cooperación de nuestro Presidente Nacional Alfredo C. Montoya, quien vino desde Nuevo México para asistir a la convención.

En conclusión, las decisiones tomadas y las actividades planeadas en la convención, demuestran la comprensión práctica y madurez política del pueblo Mexicano-Americano.

Lucha consistente por F.E.P.C. y contra la discriminación en todas sus formas. El reconocimiento de que sin dinero no puede ser posible la organización. La propagación de la cultura Mexicana y la creación de una organización nacional para la defensa del pueblo mexicano-americano.

Se eligió un Cuerpo Ejecutivo de Estado y se adoptó un programa consecuente con las necesidades del grupo.

El Cuerpo Ejecutivo quedó constituído por John Guerrero, Presidente; Gerson Durán, Tesorero; Billie Willinger, Secretaria,

At the following club meeting Potash Bosses Claim Workers Earn \$500 Too Much Each Year



"How to live on the Heller Budget . . . as 'adjusted' by the potash companies!" An illustration taken from the 16-page pamphlet recently issued by Mine-Mill members at Carlshad, N. M., in support of their current drive for a 25-cent hourly wage increase.

abandoned immediately. An estimated 7,000 workers directly employed by Kennecott will be afwill hit the copper miners and mill-men with a 23 percent cut in take-home pay, since it will substitute Meet Against Indian Bureau

BOULDER.-A Marxist Study

Group, formed during the past

semester at the University of Col-

member of the Department of

Philosophy spoke on "An Introduc-

the talk, questions were asked by

the students, eager for the oppor-

tunity to discuss Marxism on a ra-

"The Communist Manifesto" was discussed by two students who

also answered many questions. A faculty member has been invited to discuss "Soviet Philoso-

phy" at the next meeting.

Everybody Come To Meeting Indian Day School Gym This Wednesday Night

"Supt Hageberg want everypody on time 7:30 evening. Supt. Hageberg not coming to governor if anybody try to stop you take Pueblo. "Old Guard" elements "curio." his name and let Supt. Hageberg know. Everybody will have chance to talk. Its time for all to have a

peated refusals of U. S. Indian body want electric or running able of providing even the begin-Bureau authorities to institute an water inside the wall just outside nings of an adequate living. If agricultural or mechanical training program for returned veterans. ligion leave that alone just fight is usually able to find only cheap defeat the union are the Potash con May 4 Indian men of the Taos for our rights. This our first chance labor temporary work at 40 cents Co. of America, U. S. Potash and Pueblo issued the following leaf- to fight together. Help our lead- an hour. He suffers discrimina- the Int'l Minerals & Chemicals Let us have good roads. The com- minority. It is against this back- earnings" by workers took the

ers and be a man on two feets. tion as a member of an oppressed Co. Their "proof" of "excessive munity truck belong to all of us ground that the G. I. of Taos form of adjusting the Heller not to two or three mans. Let us Pueblo is trying to make his life Budget by reducing the average count our community money." compatible with the times. He size from four members to 3.4 Calling for accounting of the desires to be accepted as an equal, members. community money, the men are economically and socially, and not The union has charged that house. We want no trouble but rallying the 1,000 members of the as a government ward or tourist the potash operators are refusing

pueblo belong to all of us not one or two mans. Think of your children if we can not fight for them of the loss Indians were killed to training and were again refused. A request for a carpentry shop ment other than an escalator now they have to wait for third in World War II. The feudal for training was similarly harred.

CARLSBAD, N. M.-Three of the nation's four major producers of potash have launched a campaign to prove that their employees here are earning \$500 too much per year. The companies have adopted that line by means of "adjustments" made by their experts in the famous "minimum standard of health and decency." budget published by the University of California (the Heller Budget.)

Object of the potash producers campaign is to discredit and defeat the efforts of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers (CIO) potash workers' local here to obtain a 25-cent hourly wage raise. The union opened its negotiations early in May.

Th startling charge that the Carlsbad workers, 1,600 of whom are involved in the wage demand, TAOS, N. M. - Following re-world war to there rights. No- economy in the Pueblo is incap- as the latest step in the high-

to bargain in good faith under The struggle in the Taos Pueblo the wage-opener terms of the has been blocked by the reaction-existing contract. The three manvoice in our own pueblo and not be drove like animals with no brain. This is America and not Germany. We want no one man government on Taos Pueblo. Taos pueblo belong to all of the 100 me.

They were sorry for poor old Casey Stengel when he started the American League season with a team rated on the downhill path even IF the peerless Joe DiMaggio were in there. Without the unfortunate Frisco slugger it looked like the end and many were the stories written about the crumPCL batting leader who has more of the stuff that labelled him

But here it is nearly June with the Yanks atop the league, and the league, including the favored Red besis, so material that the team field gap, is showing more and They just may not do it! may pick up momentum on it and fool a lot of people, including

be wethered by big Vic Raschi, one little hitch, failure against the Bosox, and may become the league's top man. Nobody has been getting the kind of hurling field. Sanford, the "\$100,000 bust" chance," says the youthful Phila- for a while, has shown signs of delphia third sacker, "I watched me plenty just the same." lock out.

A combination of -surprising rookies and surprising holdovers is

The improved holdovers: Larry years ago. Berra, catcher who has been Phil Rizzuto is still Phil Rizzuto helped immeasurably by the tutor- and Tommy Henrich is still Tomta': the Yanks very very seriously! ing of Bill Dickey, and Bobby my Henrich, only a little more sol Of course, it's not Stengel's doing.

There are no baseball miracle managers (though nobody can find like knows he's settled down. He gel will remain happy just as long like knows he's settled down. He Brown, who is living down the Old Reliable has really come up fault with Casey to date). The always could hit and still does. As everybody waits for the Yanks Yankee success has a very material Cliff Mapes, filling the big center- to collapse.

weighed in with some big hits. | a batting terror at Kansas City two

M ssrs. Veeck and Yawkey. It's composed of what is today the best pitching staff in the game, The left Mr. Jones

a real ace who has overcome his Phils' "Puddin' Head," Crack Rookie, Says He Owes Lots to Detroit's Kell

George Kell of Detroit doesn't know it, but if Willie featured by Vic, the suddenly ma- (Puddin' Head) Jones of the Phillies develops into a toptured Byrnes, Lopat and Porter-flight third baseman it'll be his fault. "Every time I had a

swinging into line and if he does, Kell. Hes my idea of a great third Jones, A 23-year-old rookie from

doing the rest of it. The first named exhibition games this spring. He "a fellow who loves to play ball." are Dick Kryhoski, making the showed me how to get in front of "Willie's the kind of guy who can grade at first base, Dick Coleman, the ball and how to throw from not get enough baseball," Sawyer a Newark grad who filled in for different positions. He didn't added. "He's got a good pair of George and gradually learned the know I was watching him and I hands, a strong arm and a desire

Laurel Hill, N. C., is described by "I watched him real close in the Phillie manager Eddie Sawyer as new position, and Gene Woodling, never spoke to him but he helped to improve. "In a few years, it's my opinion that he'll be one of the best infielders in the game."

> Jones put in most of the 1948 season with Toronto of the International League where he batted .275.

He played in 17 games with the Phillies during the tail-end of the 48 campaign and before the start of the 1949 spring training season, Sawyer announced, "the only player sure of a job with the Phillies is Jones."

How did Jones feel about Saw yer's vote of confidence?

"It didn't bother me too much," he declared. "I just decided ! would have to work that much harder."

And work harder he did. During the first week of the campaign Puddin' Head came to bat four times in one contest and connected for four straight doubles to tie a major league record.

"Funny thing about those doubles," mused Jones, "I never knew I was tieing any record or anything like that. I was only swingin' to get on base. They told me about the record after the game."

Jones is the kind of ball player who plods along, playing the game instinctively without burdening himself too much with the fine points of strategy. He sums up his feelings in the matter when he

"I like playing third base because you don't have to think too much. The ball is on you in a second and you either do or you

Most of the time, however, he

About the nickname Puddin' Head, Jones says:

"Got that name from Mark

Score Board



By Lester Rodney

Strikeout Kings Wanted

WHERE OH WHERE are the strikeout kings of yesteryear? A look at the current pitching performances reveals a slacking off in this department. Since Bob Feller set his 348 mark in 1946 and then changed his style, nobody else has come along with a real strikeout record. Last year, despite his shakiness for a long period, Bob still led the AL with 164, a far cry from his record. Brecheen of the Cards led the National with 149, but isn't hitting a fast strikeout pace this year.

Hal Newhouser has been averaging about five per game, which will probably win him the AL title but not come close to any marks. Brooklyn's Ralph Branca is hitting about the same pace. Actually, both are apt to stress strikeouts less rather than more in time to come. There is no little suspicion about Feller's concentration on whiffing in 1946 contributed to the losing of some of his speed and elasticity. It will be recalled that Bob himself announced after that tremendous feat that he would now concentrate on control and winning games instead, so he may have suspected that it did him no good to try blowing 'em all down.

Easter and the "Free Press"

LUKE EASTER, the tremendous rookie slugger playing for Cleveland's San Diego farm in the Pacific Coast League, is hot about the way certain Coast writers are misquoting him and trying to present him in the usual Negro stereotype. They take contemptuous liberties with him they never dare with white players. So Easter' discovered a scurrilous piece in the sheet called Pacific Coast League Baseball Magazine filled with Stepin Fetchit dialect. The whole thing was sheer fabrication, the writer never having interviewed Easter at all. Freedom of the press, you know. Blazing mad, Easter set about discovering who did the piece, so he could tell him off properly.

At San Francisco, he told a reporter of the "Peoples World," progressive West Coast daily, "Most of the reporters are honest and report what they hear and see. But there have been some in every city who put words in my mouth that I have never said. These reporters try to pretend that I don't know how to speak, that I am a man who has had no schooling.

"Each day I read in the papers some words I have never spoken, written in an ignorant accent. They're just nonsense words they make up and then pretend that I said them. If they can't report honestly I wish they'd leave me alone. Why don't they judge me on the number of hits, runs batted in and home runs - in other words, why can't they treat me as a baseball player?"

Easter went on with emphasis, "I am one of my people. I ect my people. I want to behave in such a way never be ashamed of me. But what are they going to think when the reporters write that I've got a swelled head? What respect will people have for me when reporters tell them that I'm a showboat or a blowhard? I'm not that way and anybody who knows me could have told the newspapers the truth."

There's a Reason

THEY CAN'T TREAT you as just a baseball player, Luke Easter, because they are prostitutes of the typewriter and their big money newspaper bosses are an important part of the never ceasing propaganda machine which pumps its big lie poison of white supremacy into its readers every day of the week in one form or another. They use not only the newspapers but the movies, radio, television, comic books and even the schoolbooks. Monopoly capitalism, which owns and runs for the profit of a few our whole great and beautiful and productive country, has to keep the people divided, has to conduct a special oppression of the fifteen million Negro Americans above all, and believe me, as long as they get away with it we all suffer from the insanity of depressions in the midst of plenty and war hysteria in the midst of the overwhelming desire for peace.

If this is "politics" in a sports column, it's the only way such a sports question can be honestly be answered. Speaking of the socalled "free press," the prominent Negro spokesman, Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, speaking at a peace rally at Madison Square Garden recently, said, "I'm beginning to ask myself why I should believe the same newspapers which have died about my people for three hundred years, when they write about the Soviet Union, the countries of Eastern Europe and the "iron curtain"."

Louis Found Out

JOE LOUIS became familiar with some of these newspaper techniques. An average, normal guy, he was forced to read about himself as a "sullen tiger" and things like that. It's interesting to recall how some of the more vicious columnists built him up as a "superman" after he became champ, a flawless savage fighting machine without weaknesses. What they were doing, of course, was trying to de-humanize Louis, the only resort left to white supremacists when facing someone of Joe's caliber.

Louis himself knew this was nonsense, that there were no supermen in or out of the prize rings, just human beings. He always felt, and expressed, respect for the possibilities of his opponents.

And lo and behold, when he failed to knock out his opponent in a hurry, just continued to be a great fighting champion by winning again, the "very writers" who had created the superman myth now turned on him sneering that he was "overrated, dull witted," etc.

And even after Louis had retired and gone into the promotional field, when you'd think it was all over, he found the same thing all over again in a "press interview" that was turned into a sneering inquisition.

Twain's book. Remember Puddin' Head, the easy-goin feller who didn't get in anybody's way?

"Well," Willie grinned, "that's of ours, something that hasn't always been true of white progressives, unfortunately, in the recent past.

NEW PHYSIQUE PHENOM

OUT OF NO-WHERE in the national body building field came Melvin Wells, a 30-yearold Ford worker from Buffalo, to place second in the AAU championship at Cleveland last week in the Mr. America competition. He won top honors for arm and development and most muscle divisions. A veteran of 30 months in the Army and 14 months overseas, Wells developed an interest in weight lifting and physique and applied himself in his spare time. A member of Local 425, UAW, Wells won the New York State contest, and in the magazine Your Physique it is stated with some little specialization he should become the best built of all time. In unofficial weightlifting, he has already come close to the world record. Wells was an all-round high school star, and won the Buffalo singles title in ternis nearly service



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TWELVE YEARS ago, on Memorial Day, 1937, Chicago police shot and killed 10 Republic Steel Co. pickets in one of the most infamous bits of police brutality in American labor history. This memorable photo shows the police cold-bloodedly shooting down the unarmed and defenseless strikers.

Steel Marks 12 Years Since the Massacre

SO. CHICAGO, Ill.—Steelworkers who met here this week in an impressive homage to the 10 martyrs of the Memorial Day "Little Steel" strike massacre of 1937 had much to remind them of those grim days. Speakers at the rally pointed to the fact that the

steelworkers are once again in- volved in a struggle for wages and the Republic mill where Chicago honor these martyrs, there was no other demands, that the whole police murdered 10 pickets, steel- thought that these men might have what has been happening here in trade union movement is once workers honored the dead and pre- "died in vain." again arrayed against the open pared for new struggles and hardshop supporters of the Taft-Hartley ships.

veteran of the 1937 police terror remembered that "we won in those of the "mountains" of steel, billets sion demands of 1949. days because we were united, Left and wire stockpiled high in the "The police bullets didn't ask enemy-and even bullets couldn't shadow of more layoffs to come. stop us."

PMA Votes to Ask 208-Working Day

vention of the unaffiliated Progres-four-day week. And the talk is sive Miners of America this week that the entire Republic plant will went on record for a guarantee of go to a four-day week soon. 208 working days a year.

embody the principle of fair employment practices in their con-

Reminiscent of the '37 depres-One grizzled Republic Steel sion days were the reports of layoffs and shutdowns in the mills

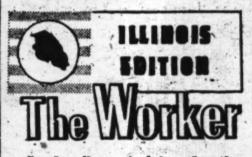
not far from the prairie in front of down. And one of the four open hearths in the new mill was cold.

IN THE T. & E. building, five of the seven electric furnaces were shut down. The 10-inch and the BELLEVILLE, Ill. - The con- 32-inch rolling mills were on a

Ten men died that Memorial The convention also voted to Day, 1937, two Communists among them, in the fight against the open shop, against 62 centsan-hour wage levels. Among the men who met here this week to

They died to help build the powerful steelworkers union that exists today and to make it possible for that union to carry on the miliin the Calumet area. Many told tant fight for the wage and pen-

At Republic, four of the eight bosses ordered them shot because meeting. MEETING in South Chicago, open hearths in the old mill were they were working men fighting Mayor Thomas A. Burke pulled what was theirs.



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Chicago Job Hunting Tough

of labor recently reported. This in its plants. has continued to rise.

light industry lines, it is hitting years.

CHICAGO (FP).-More and basic steel as well, with layoffs of more workers are looking for jobs 4,500 workers reported by the in Chicago these days, but they United Steelworkers (CIO). The aren't having much luck.

United Electrical Radio & Ma-In mid-March 124,000 were on chine Workers (CIO) estimates the jobless list, the state secretary about the same number of layoffs

figure was 34,000 more than the The work force at the main Ar-January total. Since the announce- mour packing plant is down from ment the number of unemployed a high of 7,200 to 4,600. While partially seasonal, it was pointed Although unemployment is par- out that seasonal unemployment ticularly severe in consumer and has not been apparent in recent

Republic Air Pollution Brings Death in Valley

CLEVELAND, O.-Tom Girdler's Republic Steel Corp. which has been bragging about its expanded production with vastly increased profits, is largely responsible for air pollution in the Cuyahoga Valley.

The pollution is so bad that it has been responsible for many hundreds of deaths from respiratory diseases and, according to Dr. Clarence A. Mills of Cincinnati, "the killings at Donora, Pa., are mere chicken feed compared with Cleveland."

Dr. Mills and Philip Sadtler, a Philadelphia chemist, were employed by irate home owners in the valley who stormed a session of the City Council with a demand that the administration take action and Right, against a common mill yards-mountains casting the any questions about their politics," against air pollution. Some 500 one steel unionist said, "The steel residents attended the council

> one of his typical hedging answers when he said that "we have had air pollution for some time." It was evident to the audience that the Mayor will need vigorous prodding before he will take any ac-

On the same day the protest was made an official of Republic, President Charles M. White, boasted to a group of newspapermen touring the corporation's mills who looked with disapproval upon that while in 1932 annual business amounted to \$47,000,000, 'that's

a very small month for us now." White revealed that the company was pushing the developthe loss of jobs by eliminating blooming and soaking mills.

the cleaner suburban areas there would be roughly 180 fewer men year from these three causes alone," deposits in Spain. Dr. Mills said.

He had reference to pneumonia, tuberculosis and lung cancer.

Ohio has one of the highest rates of death from cancer of all the states in the nation.

Chemist Sadtler charged that Republic Steel of all the industrial plants in the valley was the worst offender.

Most dangerous, he said, were the open hearths, the blast furnaces and the coke works. "The industrialist won't live in

his own air-polluted sewage, but he moves out to the beautiful Ohio Valley or Shaker Heights." The evil of air pollution, which

has drawn the fire of thousands of small home owners and residents in the steel mill area, is expected to become one of the major issues



TOM GIRDLER

Tatt Boosts

CINCINNATI, O.-U. S. Senator Robert A. Taft, the politician the trials of the Axis war criminals, is in favor of establishment of full relations with General Franco, the fascist dictator of Spain.

His announcement came after a series of conference between heads ment of continuous casting and of Ohio corporations and the State that this procedure would cause Department in Washington where Franco is getting priority attention.

Ohio trusts have a deep interest in the exploitation of Spain and "If Cleveland's dirtier districts see the prospect of driving British could achieve the same low respira- capital from that country. Harvey tory disease rates that prevail in Firestone, of the Firestone Tire & Rubber Co., was in Madrid recently for a discussion of an economic agreement. Ohio steel corporations and 70 fewer women dying each are reported surveying rich mineral



Stop the Fare Boost

AN EDITORIAL

WILL the people of Chicago stand by and see the street car fares doubled within a period of two years?

Will the citizens allow the new increase to 14 or 15 cents which is now being asked by the Chicago Transit Authority?

It seems to us that this should be the last straw. It seems that now the bounds of indignation must be burst at last. This new thievery of the family pocketbook comes on top of so many other recent thefts that it is clear that the time has come to shout "Stop

The facts in this case are clear. The CTA is supposed to represent public ownership of the city's street car and "L" lines. Actually, the transit system is still in

the hands of the bankers. They hold the \$105,000,000 worth of bonds which were issued when the CTA "bought" the lines. The bankers have forced the CTA to pay the fantastic interest of 3%

In other words, the bankers are now getting a clear profit of \$4,000,000 a year out of the CTA. This is exactly twice as much in-

terest as bonds of this type should draw. Now we are told by CTA that the bankers' profit should not be touched. We me told that the only issue now is whether the transit workers' wages should be cut or whether fares should be increased!) were the the the

We heard that same story on Oct. 1, 1947, when the fares went up to 10 cents. We heard it again on May 11, 1948, when the fares went up to 11 cents. And we heard it on June 20, 1948, when the fares went up to 13 cents!

Now, the recent increase in pensions for transit workers was certainly justified. And the demand of the transit workers union for percent increase should be supported.

However, the bankers must be forced to give up their stupendous transits profits in order to meet these expenditures.

Certainly the fares must not be raised It would be to the long-run interests of

the Chicago transit workers and their union if they would join with the public behind the slogan of "No fare boost!"

This fight can be won. It will be won as

soon as the bankers and the city authorities begin to feel the vigorous and united protest of the people and their organizations, the unions, the liberal civic groups, the parents and the tenants and the veterans and the thousands of other groups which make up the main body of our Chicago "straphangers."

These are the slogans that must be brought to your alderman, to Mayor Kennelly and the CTA Board:

Re-finance the CTA bonds! Cut the bankers' profits in half! No increase in fares

leither through new leases on which without giving their names

Fig. South and the state of the manicipal selection campaigns and a ROBERT AS TAFTERS from N. Y. Life to withersw their plant, in foreground, join picketline at Ford Rouge,

Broyles Sizzles as Witchhunt Fizzles

Group Discredited, **Broke and Divided**

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. - The Broyles Commission ended its twoyear witch-hunting career this week, discredited, financially and morally bankrupt.

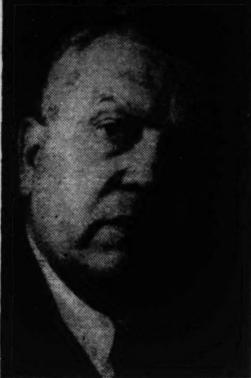
State Senator Paul Broyles, its head, was at a loss to explain how the commission would pay some of the professional red-hunters employed by it

Rep. Charles Jenkins, a Negro member of the commission from Chicago, gave the group a final blow by stating that the report, in effect, "gives the two schools a clean bill of health."

THE BROYLES Commission made a final attempt to smear Illinois educators last week, reopening its probe of the University of Chicago in what was frank-ly called a "fishing expedition."

U. of C. professors, summoned to Springfield, expressed their utter contempt for the probers and left some of the imported "investigators" vexed and frustrated.

Dr. Harold C. Urey, leading groups, Dr. Urey lashed at U. S. Horsley swung only of atomic scientist, told the probers Attorney General Tom Clark, statthat, "the University of Chicago, ing: "I regard designation of some ONE OF THE local to his side." one of the great universities of the organizations as 'Communist-front' world, deserves better of the peo- by the attorney general as one of question every member of the lople of Illinois than this investiga- the most dangerous things in cal on their political affiliations.



DR. HAROLD C. UREY, U. of C. atomic scientist, who told the Broyles Commission that he had supported Spanish Loyalist organization because "I think Franco is a stinker."

HARASSED by efforts to link like you!" him with so-called "subversive" American life today.

Plot to Defraud **Negroes of Hor**

By Ann Proten

CHICAGO.-A fighting bulletin headed, "We Shall Not be dismissed as the union's attor- rent boost were also being circu- mands a 121/2 cents an hour in-Be Moved," appeared this week in the South Side area slated ney. for demolition to make way for a private New York Life Insurance Co. housing develop-investment offer should the bill

Issued pointly by the Committee to End Segregation and Discrimination and the Park-Lake out further that the city's nine re-I. C. tracks, united in their com- clude families put out by the mon fight to stop the city's at- Michael Reese Hospital expantempts to tear down the homes sion, the Congress St. Highway crease? and evict all tenants in order to development, and Project 1 resigive the land to the N. Y. Life dents.

Insurance Co." The first issue of the bulletin hit at propaganda which "is mis- unit "the entire family income leading tenants into believing that cannot be higher than \$40 per the N. Y. Life project and the week with one child and \$42 per threatened? Relocation Projects are being built week with two or more children. for them." It points out that the . . . These restrictions alone will asking for a blanket increase of at N. Y. Life plan for 1,400 units in exclude thousands of families liv- least 25 percent. In addition to place of the present 3,580 will ing in the area." render 2,180 families homeless.

"RENTS to be charged by N. Y. Life will be \$75 to \$125 per month," the publication stated, "and even if you can pay such high rents, you will have to go through a fine tooth comb to meet the approval of N. Y. Life.

"They will have the first and last word as to who is to live in the 1,400 units."

Spokesmen for the embattled area residents doubt whether more than a token Negro occupancy will be permitted by N. Y. Life, under any circumstances. They point to the decisive role behind the scenes in the recent City Council defeat of the ordinance proposed by Alderman Archibald J. Carey of the Third Ward which would have barred crimination in any publicly ded housing projects.

be passed.

THE NEWSLETTER pointed Council, the newsletter stated location projects, totaling 2,100 that its purpose "is to keep the units, "could no even take care people in the area from 31st to of half the families" to whom they 35th Sts., South Parkway to the have been promised. These in-

The bulletin went on to explain that to qualify-for a relocation

Rep. Horsley Taken Over Coals by Miners

der him.

The Progressive Miners here last he had initiated the witch hunt another rent increase." PMA local to try to explain why probe of Illinois colleges by the Broyles Commission.

Horsely made a lame attempt to defend his red-baiting on the basis that he, like Murray and Reuther, was only trying to "clean

out the reds.' A miner then rose on the floor of the local meeting and told him: "We're not afraid of Communists, but we are afraid of red-baiters

After his extended remarks, Horsley swung only one member

ONE OF THE local members asked Horsley if he wished to Horsley's inquisition at the Broyles p.m. hearing in which each witness was

had refused to let Ed Starr, Illinois trade unions and tenants groups. Communist legislative representa-

June 1st Last Chance to Halt W. Horsley (R., 45th) is trying to climb the red-baiting ladder to political success, but Illinois coal miners have pulled it out from under him.

CHICAGO - Wednesday, June 1, was announced this week gave Horsley a bad time of week as "Stop-the-Rent-Boost-Day" and tenants throughout it when he appeared before the big the city prepared to mobilize for their "last chance to stop

issued here this week calling them To Oppose Rent Hike The local requested that the international union dismiss Horsley the Chicago Civic Opera House from his post as attorney from the sponsored by the Cook County Rent advisory Board.

The three-day hearing which formally opens at 6:30 p.m. on June 1, will decide on whether the landords win their request for a blanket rent raise in the Chicago area.

THE Chicago Tenants Action Council and the Progressive Party of Illinois urged tenants to "tell it to the board" by staging a mass Deere Strike Against demonstration at the Civic Opera House behind the slogan of "No Speedup Called Off Rent Boost!"

landlords intend to pack the audi-struck against a revision of "piece torium, tenants were urged to ap- rates" This was a barbed reference to pear at the Opera House at 5:30 know) have returned to work.

asked whether he was a Commu- ready filed requests to testify at promise was reached with federal the hearing, including Progres- conciliators who held that with One of the officers of the union sive Party, the CIO, the Americ- resumption of work "everything demanded to know why Horsley can Veterans Committee, and many would be more at ease."

tive, testify before the Broyles Chicago Tenants Action Coun- PEORIA.-The Painters and The local then turned down lets were being distributed asking wage controversy with the con-Horsley's plea that the local restenants to appear at the hearings. tractors, have "held up work" cind their motion asking that he In addition, petitions against the since March 21. The union de-

A stirring call to tenants was Demonstrate June 1

CHICAGO. - A demonstration against the threatened rent increase will be held in front of the Chicago Civic Opera House, 20 N. Wacker Drive, Wednesday, June , beginning at 5:30 p.m.

It was announced that there would be picketing and sound trucks. All progressive organizations were urged to mobilize their members for the rally.

ROCK ISLAND.-The Deere In the face of rumors that the foundry workers, 450 of whom (speedup to those who They belong to United Auto Numerous organizations have al- Workers Local 865, CIO. A com-

Gertrude Noyes, chairman of the Demands Wage Boost

cil, announced that 100,000 leaf-Decorators Local 157, AFL, in a

The following are questions and answers to some of the main problems facing Chicago tenants. Readers are urged to send their queries to the Illinois Worker, 208 N. Wells St., Chicago, Ill.

Who is "safe" from a rent in-

Only those who have a lease are increase is granted? safe from an immediate increase but they are safe only for the period covered by the lease.

How much of an increase

The landlords in Chicago are this they may apply for increases

"fair rent formula."

crease?

crease is possible covering an en-the U.S. tire area.

Who decides whether a blanket County Rent Advisory Board?

makes a recommendation to the ever, it has already issued statebasis of public hearings and sur- Chicago are entitled to a blanket veys. The national housing experent increase. diter must accept this recommendation under the law.

What increases are possible under the Tighe Woods formula?

the landlord can prove that he is at the Chicago Opera House. This not getting sufficient return on his hearing is supposed to consider the investment. The landlord can re- petition of the landlords for a quest any amount to make up the blanket rent boost. A huge turn-

How does the Woods formula crease. work?

ceive an annual profit of at least Bills' Thought Police 25 percent of his gross annual in- PEORIA.-A former Peoria come in the case of a large struc-clergyman and now a member of ture (five units or more) and 20 the faculty of Illinois Wesleyan percent in the case of a small struc- University, Dr. Lowell B. Hazture (four units or less). If he can zard, told the Peoria Federation show that he does not make that of Teachers last week that the much profit, he is supposedly "en- Broyles Bills would put spies in titled" to an increase in rent.

Are rents in Chicago generally on the front porch. high or low?

either through new leases on which without giving their names.

junder the so-called Tighe Woods, a 15 percent increase was allowed or through increases granted land-Is it possible that the Chicago lords by the area rent office. The landlords may get a blanket in- number of increases over the original ceilings in Chicago was far Under the law, a blanket in- greater than in any other city in

What is the role of the Cook

This body is supposed to protect The area rent advisory board tenants as well as landlords. Hownational housing expediter on the ments indicating that landlords in

> How can a rent boost be stopped?

The first step is to stage a mass demonstration of tenants at the This formula provides for un- open hearing of the Cook County limited increases in all cases where Rent Advisory Board, June 1-2-3 difference between his income and out of tenants protesting any raiswhat is considered a "fair return." ing of rents can stop a blanket in-

The landlord is supposed to re- Prof. Scores Broyles

the classrcom and thought police

He claimed to be against Com-Official government figures munism, but the Peoria Star deshowed that in March 1942 (the nounces him as an apologist for date of the rent freeze) the rent the Communists. The paper index for 34 large cities was 108.9, wants to know what "police while the Chicago index was 112.8, thought" is, and then refers to or four points higher. Since then, two Peoria clergymen who have more than half of the Chicago ten- been guilty of Communist teachants have had their rents raised ing within the last two years.



Carey bill was breed on threats is a SOLIDARITY FROM CLEYELAND-UE strikers from Fewick from N. Y. Life to withdraw their plant, in foreground, join picketline at Ford Rouge,

Bare Plot to Smear USSR as Anti-Semitic

By Robert Friedman

The New York Herald Tribune slipped. It wrote to the American Jewish Labor Council when it meant to write to the Jewish Labor Committee. The slip provided concrete evidence of the fact that the monopoly press in the United States is engaged in a that they could crook their little fingers to get Gerhart Eis-

planned and concerted drive to smear the Soviet Union and people's democracies as anti-Semitic.

Consider: Within the space of a few short months, Newsweek magazine, the New York Times, Post for and World-Telegram, to name just | Pois a few, have run series purporting to "prove" that the Soviet Union is an anti-Semite state. The articles parrot each other with remarkable regularity. Like factory shifts which spell one another, one publication starts its smearing when another subsides. TRIB NEXT

And then the progressive American Jewish Labor Council got this letter, dated May 9:

"Gentlemen: "I should like very much to obtain a copy of the report made by your organization some months ago in Atlantic City, detailing evidences of anti-Semitism in the Soviet sphere. It has come to my attention that your organization is in a position to have valid sources of information on this important

"May I, although belatedly, congratulate you on bringing it to the attention of the public.

"Sincerely, Keith Spaulding
Night Desk

"Herald Tribune News Service" Is it not curious that the Herald Tribune "news" service should suddenly desire a "report," admit-

Is it not curious that the Herald Tribune's request coincided with the almost synchronized publication of press stories on the identi-

cal subject? At any rate, the Herald Tribune slipped. Its plea for manufactured "evidences" went not to the reactionary Jewish Labor Committee, creature of David Dubinsky and other rightists, but to the American Jewish Labor Council.

editor-in-chief of the Herald Trib- to print the facts. une, the Council declared:

COUNCIL'S ANSWER

ence to the report made in Atlan- wants to print and what it intends tic. City, that this communication to censor concerning the Soviet was intended for the Jewish Labor Union, the democracies of Eastern Committee. The Herald Tribune Europe, and their treatment of the News Service has, of course, ev- Jews. ery right to request copies of re- Three times in the last weeks, ish Labor Committee go beyond the Soviet Union. the limits of objectivity and pro- When the New York Times ran fessional ethics to which your a story (March 20) charging that News Service lays claim.

sole responsibility of its overzeal- toon, and used the word "Zhid," a ous and biased author Mr. Keith slurring word for Jews, in the cap-Spaulding, your newspaper should tion, the Daily Worker proved the certainly be interested to inform Times lied. We proved the word on so-called, 'Anti-Semitism in charged that the Times lied in al- Soviet Socialism and fascism are This cynical edict is contrary to lation such as large scale housing, Eastern Europe, has been checked leging that the figures in the carby this organization and found toon were hook-nosed caricatures, to be completely fraudulent. Its and we reproduced the cartoon to contents were fabricated in their prove it. entirety by a clique of professional Result? Faced with the evidence generate distrust between the peo- a tiny story in the back pages ad- rations of Israel. ple of America and those of East- mitting neither error nor guilt, but

ter, the progressive Jewish organi- "Zhid." zation documented numerous facts But this didn't stop the Times on the "rapid reconstruction of from returning to its program of gram lied, how the Times lied. Re-Jewish cultural and economic life selling the American public on the member, too, the 85 Stalin Prizes in Eastern European countries" fraud that the Soviet Union is with the encouragement and sup- anti-Semitic.

port of their democratic govern- Newsweek Magazine gave the the Council told the sue charging that the Soviet mag- theres.

Herald Tribune

30 West 41st Street, News

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ABOVE IS THE LETTER from the New York Herald Tribune asking for ammunition to be used on its sector of the anti-Soviet campaign. The Tribune meant to write the reactionary Jewish Labor Committee for "evidences" of Soviet anti-Semitism, wrote the progressive American Jewish Labor Council instead.

its numerous delegations to Jewish anti-Semitism by placing, after port issued by the Jewish Labor with the same charge. Committee.

public as it was to peddle the ing: anti-Soviet lies.

In a letter to Whitelaw Reid, une's response was? It has refused the last year, 85 were won by

"It is apparent from the refer- Herald Tribune knows what it

ports and other pertinent informa- the Daily Worker has exposed the tion. The contents of this request, brazen use of lies and forgeries in however, prejudge the validity of the Times, the Post and Newsthe information desired and the week, all purporting to "prove" congratulations extended the Jew- the existence of anti-Semitism in

the Soviet humor magazine Kro-"If this communication is the kodil printed an anti-Semitic car-

ern Europe and the Soviet Union." granting only that the Soviet car-In the rest of the Council's let- toon had used "Gide" and not

one with a story in its April A is prostituted itself with a few paren;

Again, the Daily Worker ex-URGES PRINTING OF FACTS posed the lies. The Daily Worker The Council asked the Herald reproduced part of the page of the Tribune whether it was as willing Russian newspaper Pravda, of to make such facts known to the April 10, which proved the follow-

 That of several hundred Sta-Need you ask what the Trib- lin Prizes in art, science, etc. for Jews-and the Jews constitute less The reasons are obvious. The than two percent of the Soviet population.

 That in every single instance where a writer or artist used a professional name, next to that name, in parentheses, was placed his original name. This was done even when the person merely shortened his name, or used the diminutive, "Sasha," for "Alex-ander." The original name, without the slightest relation to the person's national origin, was placed in parentheses, according to Soviet custom.

Clemens.)

identical by convincing us that the every basic principle of trade and elimination of "dictatorship in Soviet regime is anti-Semitic. And union democracy. incidentally, halt and reverse the

"Soviet anti-Semitism," remember how Newsweek lied, how the Post lied, how the World Teleto Jewish citizens of the Soviet Union and how the "free press"

British Workers, Communists Rally To Defend Eisler

If the striped pants set in the State Department thought ler back into their clutches without a murmer from the

tossed into a Birmingham jail and held for extradition hearings at the Bow St. Court in London-all at the behest of the State Department-a great Eisler defense campaign has been in the making.

Eisler was due to appear in Bow St. Court again on Friday, May 27, after a magistrate, overriding defense protests, granted State Department lawyers on Tuesday a four-day delay. Meanwhile, Eisler was ordered back to Brixton Prison, without bail.

It was before that prison last Sunday that 600 demonstrators gathered to demand Eisler's imthe prison walls called out: "We are speaking to you, Gerhart Eisler. Can you hear our voices?" The rally assailed "the dirty work of the Wall Street bankers who ordered Britain to arrest Eisler," and speakers called on the Labor government to "apologize to Eisof American big business."

British people, they reckoned Committee was formed at a meet-without British workers and, in Committee was formed at a meetthe first place, the Communist Party of Great Britain. Council for Civil Liberties, Brit-From the very first day that ish Council for German Democthe German anti-fascist refugee racy and the North London Diswas hauled off a Polish vessel, trict, Amalgamated Engineering Union.

Four trade unions, including the Edinburgh Trades Council, have protested to the Home Secretary over the arrest, and Edinburgh University students demonstrated with placards stating, "Stop witch-hunting for America" and "Let Eisler go back to his na-tive country." Bristol University students, along with visiting students from Germany, also assailed the seizure of Eisler.

Scottish miners contributed \$200 to Eisler's defense, after Scottish area officials of the National Union of Mineworkers apmediate release. Communist proved the aid upon the request of the Communist Party and the Council for German Democracy.

A SERIES of protest rallies on the Eisler case has heard such speakers as Paul Robeson and Konni Zilliacus, M.P.; Prof. P. M. S. Blackett, Nobel Prize ler" and "stop serving as the slaves physicist and author of Fear, War and the Bomb, with 50 lecturers IN OTHER indications of Brit- and students of the University of ish resentment at the govern- Manchester, wired their "profound tedly months old, on the alleged Herald Tribune were obtained by azine, Literary Gazette, showed tradition effort, a Release Eisler Home Secretary. ment's role in the arrest and ex- indignation" at the arrest to the

communities throughout Europe. the pen-names of Jewish writers, They are facts which are detailed and demonstratable, facts which and demonstratable, facts which completely belie the spurious re- May 2, and the Post, on May 3, CIO 'Obey' Edict

The action of the CIO Executive Board was branded a "cynical edict" in a declaration of union policy adopted unanimously this week by the International Executive Board

of the CIO International Fur and Leather Workers Union. "We reject and scorn any order or insinuation," the statement ascerted, that union representatives on the CIO Board must be rubber stamps and other improvements (some for the right wing regardless of officials even proposing no inthe wishes of the membership.

charge that: "The latest decree of the CIO

leadership, which is addressed to the affiliated international and national unions of CIO and to their

THE DECLARATION, a funviolate all democratic principles in fighting spirit, the progressive

It cited the failure to rally a real mass fight for the repeal of Taft-Hartley, the lack of "determined fight" for wage increases creases at this time), no struggle The declaration contained the for needed social legislation, raiding, disruption of the World Federation of Trade Unions, violation of autonomous democratic rights

It called upon the CIO to remillions of members, states that turn to its tradition of "progressive, whatever may be decided by the militant and democratically-deterleadership of CIO on all issues, mined policies and program upon In the same way, a book by whether economic or political-re- which its power and prestige were Mark Twain in our own libraries, gardless of how harmful or in- originally based," to stop raiding, will carry on the frontispiece, the jurious it may be to the interests rally the workers for a fourthparenthetical insertion, (Samuel L. of _the _American _workers _and round of wage increases, discon-The reasons are obvious. The cepted by the membership and by ures as the Marshall Plan and its readers that the Jewish Labor was actually the name of Andre monopoly press has decided that the elected officials of all affiliated North Atlantic Pact, fight for civil Committee's Atlantic City report Cide, the French author. We it can best peddle the big lie that unions, whether they like it or not, rights measures and social legis-

"The CIO was created by the growing respect and admiration of damental treatment of the basic is-millions of American workers," # American Jewry for the firm So- sues facing labor-the fight against concluded. "It belongs to the hate-mongers whose design it is to of its deception, the Times printed viet support to the national aspi- speedup, layoffs, for a wage in- workers. It is not the property of crease, peace-added that "in the a few leaders. It is now the duty When next you hear or read of face of the impending new eco- and the obligation of every single nomic crisis and far-reaching po-member of the CIO to fight to litical persecution in our country—restore democracy in the CIO and we find that certain leaders of CIO put the control of its policies back shamelessly abandon the original in the hands of its membership. program of CIO. They flout and In this manner the militancy, the the formulation of programs and of the CIO can and must be rein the administration of the affairs built, to enable the CIO to resume of the CIO, and they adopt polities which are disastrous to the of the people's onward march less workers and the nation.

Grievances--Key to Organizing Jobless

By Sam Kushner

members on a local and district scale. Some locals have unemployed workers and their de-the opportunity to see an official

in Illinois.

beginning to dig into some of the answer is-grievances. problems of servicing unemployed members.

of the unemployed.

of how to organize the jobless.

Some of the discussions one hears these days about the difficulty in organizing the unemployed workers reminds the writer now. paign to unionize a plant.

to feel the effects of the crisis. will devise ways and means of win-There has been no spontaneous reaction to the mass layoffs. Many ning the just demands of the workout what has hit them.

are confused and are waiting to employed workers.

IN ORDER to mobilize the unemployed workers we should correctly gauge the mood of the

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CHICAGO.-In Chicago and in some few downstate towns, there are already the faint beginnings of an organized mass movement of the unemployed. A number of progressive unions in this area have had conferences and mass meetings of their unemployed

gone a step farther and set up sire to carry out a program of ac- to straighten out their claims. permanent committees on unem- tion. Just as in most cases the SOME of the most vicious pracbeing organized overnight.

ployment. These committees are ization of the unemployed? The endless red tape and delays in

The unemployed have many grievances today. It is in the win-In three Chicago communities, ning of these grievances of the steps have been taken toward set-unemployed that the key to the ting up community organizations successful organization of the unemployed can be found. There is THERE is some general under- no shortcut to organization. It is a fight for the systematic winstanding of the need at this time ning of minor and major grievfor organization of the unemployed ances of the unemployed that can and will lay the basis of a mass being told that unless they take bigger problem now is the problem movement of the unemployed.

izing committees should be formed are given "time limits" to find These committees should of the early stages in the cam- not be debating societies to discuss the "evils" of unemployment. delegations and pressure. The workers are just beginning They should be committees that workers are still trying to figure ers. From these small beginnings Some workers are already bitter grow into full-blown mass organ- of some of the "minor" grievances about the situation. Many more izations of many thousands of un- that will lead to the organization

ers consider themselves "perma- find the key to organization in tion." nently unemployed" at this stage every community. What are some of the crisis. of the grievances that the unemployed now have? Long waiting periods for the first unemployment compensation check is very cominsurance on time.

> Some workers are not getting the full amount of the benefits due them. Due to the "rush" at the unemployment compensation offices many workers are not given

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workers in a given plant are not tices are common at the Chicago This is the fourth and last of a organized in a union overnight, Welfare Administration. There is series of articles on unemployment so too the unemployed are not only one office in the entire city where people can apply for relief. What is the basis of the organ- Here they are often faced with order to secure the meager benefits which relief clients are allowed.

Workers are being forced to "work out" their relief in rubbish dumps-and hundreds are being cut off relief because they are unable to do this type of work.

It is around the issue of "being thrown off of unemployment com-IN EVERY community, organ-tion. Other unemployed workers jobs. It is particularly in this field that the unemployment compensation office can be influenced, by

PROGRESSIVE centers, and trade union centers can become the headquarters of the unemployed workers. It is the winning of the unemployed for the big see developments. Very few work- The organizing committees must grievance-"jobs not compensa-

> While it is advisable for the unemployed to organize on a trade union basis, it is also desirable rally include Gil Green, Illinois for the payment of unemployment both fields. The negotiating extional Executive Board member of life," they added. perience of many trade unionists the CIO Longshore and Warenow should be utilized in "bar- housemen's Union. gaining" in behalf of the unemployed workers.

> > community organization of the un- the rally is free. the working class.

. and in case of war, the Army is a great career with plenty of chance for advancement, due to the numerous vacancies."

MARKS FORMATION will be thrown off of compensa-tion. Other unemployed workers OF NEW YOUTH GROUP

rally, scheduled for Sunday eve- of a new working class youth orning at People's Auditorium, 2457 ganization. W. Chicago Ave., will hear the Among those expected to be first report of the decisions of a present will be young trade unionnational conference being held ists, leaders of clubs formerly a over the weekend to esablish a part of American Youth for Denew working class youth organ-mocracy, Communist youth lead-

Announcement of the rally, to Marxist societies. tional youth parley.

Speakers scheduled for the near future.

A rich cultural program is also slated, including dramatic sketches tional income dropped below pre-

employed, together with the labor MORE THAN 150 delegates movement, can become a decisive from some 28 states are expected wages, salaries and other labor inone in shifting part of the burden to attend the two-day sessions of come stood at 62 percent of total of the depression off the backs of the conference. The youth and income in 1948, a decline of 4 student leaders were invited to perecnt since 1938.

CHICAGO.-A large public confer here to consider formation

ers and leaders of some campus

which all young people and adults In issuing the call to the conalike are invited, was made this ference, the sponsors declared week by Mollie Lieber and Al that "we are confident that out of Rubio, local youth leaders who the enthusiastic efforts of young joined with six other prominent people from every part of the youth leaders to sponsor the na- country a new working class youth organization will emerge in the

"It will vigorously strive for and that simultaneously this be done State Chairman of the Commu- add to the building of unity mon. The demand must be made on a community basis as well. nist Party, and Bernard Lucas, among all young people who want Trade unionists must be active in Negro labor leader and Interna- peace, democracy and a decent

WAGE TOTAL IS LESS

Labor's share in the U. S. na-In the future, the alliance of the and entertainment. Admission to war levels in 1948, according to a United Nations study. The ratio of

Hazels' Plight Is Up to Mayor

CHICAGO-A large delegation | Mr. and Mrs. Hazel brought | Wright and Taylor viewed picthe James Hazel family of 12 liv- beds at home," said the father. ing in a deathtrap at 4065 S. Went- Mrs. Hazel told the Mayor's or private housing because their

two hours, until His Honor, "too now." busy" to see them, sent out his

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of packinghouse workers and other eight of their ten children with tures of how the Hazels live, and South Side citizens this week forc- them to the Mayor's office. "They promised action in what they termed Mayor Kennelly's attention to would be much safer sleeping on ed "this critical emergency. the scandalous housing plight of the steps of City Hall than in their The Hazels, due for eviction in

representatives of life in their rat- family "is too big." The delegation, organized by ridden rooms, where for the past | Curry pointed out that the city

30 days, have been refused public

the South Side Tenants Council six months they have lived with- administration's policy of backing and headed by Samuel Curry, out water or gas, "cooking" on top Jimcrow housing and the uncheck-President of Armour Local 347 of a coal-fed pot-belly stove.

of which James Hazel is a member, said Mrs. places responsibility for the Hazel ber, sat in the Mayor's office for Hazel, "we can't cook food at all family's plight "squarely on the

representatives, Tom Wright and Corneff Taylor, of the Commission 12 LABOR, LANGUAGE PAPERS TO SPONSOR JULY 4 PICNIC

CHICAGO. - Twelve progres-dens, Justice, Ill. held July 4 at Justice Park Gar- and drinks.

OVERSEAS SHIPMENTS

sive labor and language news- The colorful event will feature papers will be the sponsors of the a series of "national group vil-"All-Nations Press Picnic," to be lages," each offering native foods

Featured speakers at the affair American businessmen are in- will be Gil Green, Illinois state vesting more tad more money over- chairman of the Communist Party. seas. At the end of 1948, total and Claudia Jones, Negro Com-U. S. private investments abroad munist leader and secretary of the were more than \$17 billion. Before National Women's Commission of borous

to sent acod every that hasn't street been true of

aves, uniortunately, be the recent past.

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PRESS PICNIC

JUSTICE PARK GARDENS, JUSTICE, ILL.

• Entertainment

Dancing

Wilson Stalls Pact Talks; Ban Launched

CHICAGO.-Wilson & Co. last week hedged on a proposal from the CIO United Packinghouse Workers that last year's contract he renewed until August, 1949.

This was the first meeting between company and union representatives since the nationwide packing strike last year. The com-pany then cancelled the existing contract with the union and has refused since to agree to another.

Negotiations lasted for three, days and adjourned without the company indicating whether it would accept the union's proposal to renew the old contract.

IT WAS learned that the company took the position that local contracts would be better than a Master Contract (industrywide) to cover all workers in the Wilson chain.

The union negotiators reportedly countered with the charge that local contracts were being asked to pit one local against another and to do away with industrywide rates and conditions won by the union.

It was pointed out that a Maser Contract had been in force between the union and company for more than six years and that experiences in that period proved the need for an industry-wide con-

agreements and that there was no reason for Wilson & Co. to treat its workers differently.

Armour Head Admits His Aim Is Speedup

"We are successfully engaged in building up morale and individual productivity and no stone will be left unturned in our search for efficiency and earnings," Armour & board of directors meeting.

Chicago, East St. Louis and been killed. other parts of the country are a living testimony to the accuracy of of numerous assaults on the work-Specht's announcement that the ers even as far as being involved in speed-up is in full swing. But there the death of one worker of which meeting to see Mayor Kennelly and is room for doubt on the morale they were cleared by city au-

Not a department in the Chi- The local union grievance compago plant has been missed by the mittee had a very difficult time arstop-watch brigade. Stop watches ranging a meeting with manageare nothing new to the big meat ment to discuss the brutal assault. packers who long ago developed Finally a meet was arranged the individual productivity" to what following Tuesday. Armour & Co. seemed to the workers to be the at this meeting defended the action limit of human endurance.

CHICAGO. - Almost 200 en- ment of the Wagner Act, as well program for free chest X-rays to be then used.

House.

Local Registers Samuel Curry wielded the rayel as resolutions and program were adopted after spritted discussion from the floor.

General UPWA Counsel Eugene Cotton delivered a roundly-applauded address on the general situation facing Labor. Cotton delivered a real another, and the "cold war" makes and program were adopted after spritted discussion from the floor. The floor is plauded address on the general discussion for the floor but in one of their pig's eyes.

Millions of delivers to have spent by the Big Packers to have spent by the Big Packers to have spent by the Big Business is using American foreign policy to expand its economic power in one nation after semphasized the need for a real drive by labor to obtain the re-mask success.

Morkets about the project. The few sults about big enough to fit in one of their pig's eyes.

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CHICAGO. - The CIO United Packinghouse Workers Union has opened a nationwide "Don't buy Wilson & Co. meats" campaign.

Launching of the campaign was announced this week by president Ralph, Heistein after a series of meetings with Wilson & Co. failed to budge it from its refusal to negotiate a national contract with the union.

Wilson had arrogantly canceled the existing contract, immediately after last _year's _meat-packing strike and workers have since been without a contract. The union has national contracts with all other major meat-packing companies.

Attempts this week to negotiate a new contract covering the seven Wilson plants under the union's representation met a stubborn "No" from company spokesmen...

MEANWHILE, more than 400 workers, some with 25 years service, have been fired because of their strike activities last year. Hundreds more have been deprived of their seniority rights while an unmerciful speedup program has been instituted throughout the Wilson chain.

Urging a nationwide refusal to buy Wilson products, Helstein dedared that "Wilson & Co. not only defies its workers and the UPWA but challenges the entire labor movement.:

would continue to handle the

A mammoth protest meeting was

called the following Thursday and

3,000 workers or more turned out

during their lunch hour and voiced

their disapproval of Armour &

Co.'s brutal tactics. The officers of

Local 347 were called upon at this

other higher officials and demand

that these attacks on the workers be

stopped at once.

workers in the same manner



I hope I don't get sold to WILSON!

No self-respecting, pig wants to go into a union-busting product.

DON'T BUY WILSON!

THIS IS a sample of the kind of material the CIO United Packinghouse Workers Union is putting out in connection with its boycott on the products of the anti-union Wilson & Co.

This page of Illinois packinghouse shop and union news appears each month in the Illinois Editon of The Worker. Watch for it.

The Illinois Worker

ORDERS FROM HAYWOOD

By Joe Steel

EVER SINCE the birth of their union, the membership of the CIO United Packinghouse Workers have battled for the right to run their own union and to determine their own policy.

One convention after another of the UPW witnessed the presence of Allan Haywood, CIO Organizational Director, and his persistent but unsuccessful efforts to tell the delegates what to do and what officers to elect.

The story was always the same. Haywood invariably left these conventions rebuffed by the overwhelming majority of the delegates, but determined to try again.

In between conventions, the tug of war continued between the UPW membership and the CIO rightwing over the issue of control over the organization and its policies. At the coming convention of the UPWA in Denver, however, this issue may well come to a head with deep-going effect upon the future course of the packinghouse workers.

This year's convention of the UPWA takes places upon the background of a sharp internal change within the CIO. The rightwing Murray-Reuther-Haywood leadership has gone back on the traditional militant-progressive policies of the CIO.

MIDDLE-OF-THE-ROAD

AND this year in Denver, Allen Haywood will demand of the UPWA delegates to endorse the Portland convention-in other words to repudiate and reject everything the UPWA has stood for, including the very preamble to the union's constitution.

The self-styled, middle-of-the-road leadership of the UPWA has not taken a positive, clear-cut stand on the major issues raging within the CIO today. In the face of the militant traditions and fighting spirit of its rank-and-file on the one hand, and the growing reactionary pressure of the right-wing on the other, the so-called "middle-of-the-road" position of the UPWA leadership has become more and more difficult.

Already, under this pressure, the UPW leadership has bowed its head to the Portland convention decisions. At the same time it has continued to fight the discredited Gant-Weightman right wing inside the UPWA. But the sympathies of Allan Haywood lie not with the present UPWA leadership, but precisely with the Gantt-Weightman right-wing clique.

The Murray-Haywood forces have pursued the same policy towards the UPWA as the Cantt-Weightman right wing has followed inside the union.

During the 1948 strike, the Cantt-Weightman forces did everything possible to weaken the strike in the hope that defeat would discredit the leadership of the union and bring the right-wing to

The Murray-Haywood forces, likewise, did little to help win the strike. Walter Reuther, in his raid against the Farm Equipment Union, expended huge sums, which, had they been given to the UPWA in 1948, would have won the strike.

A STEP BACKWARDS

CAPITULATION to Haywood in Denver, therefore, means in the long run a new breath of life and eventual victory for the Gantt-Weightman forces in the UPWA. More than that, it means surrender of militant unionism and a long step towards the conversion. of the UPWA into a company union,

It is no accident that last week's Executive Board of the CIO was opened by Murray with a new declaration of war, not against the T-H double-cross, not against Wall Street nor the Ford Empire,

but against the left-wing.

In his book, "Misleaders of Labor," writing about the surrender of the AFL leadership to the employers during the 1920s, William Z. Foster said:

"To make this surrender possible, they opened up a bitter persecution of the left wing. . . . They are working towards the degeneration of the unions into mere production appendages of the employers. . . Their policy amounts, in substance, to a deep-going surrender of the workers into the hands of their class enemies, the employers.

These words apply fully to present efforts of the Murray-Reuther-Haywood right wing of the CIO to convert this great, fighting organization into an instrument of the cold-war gang in Washington and Wall Street.

IT WAS also stated that workers in Armour's, Swift's and Cudahy's were covered by master

To the Editor:

ON FRIDAY, May 6, 1949, Eugene Lane, packinghouse workers at Armour Chicago plant, was savagely and unmercifully beaten by three fascist-minded, sadist Armour & Co. cops.

The cops after placing him un-Co.'s president F. W. Specht told der arrest continued to beat him; company stockholders at a recent only after a woman worker intervened did they stop beating him, The sweating Armour workers otherwise he probably would have

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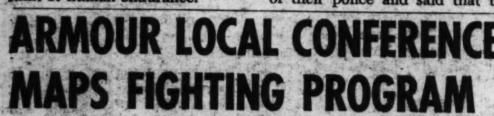
> of their police and said that they

A Packinghouse Worker lith the Packers, Cattle Come First-Then Men!

CHICAGO.-Recently the Tu-where much time and money are gram, and together with the BYNC.

workers about the project. The re- workers about losing their jobs if est for all people. With the high

berculosis Institute of Chicago ap-spent in "doctoring up" those which worked out a plan for leaflet disproached the Big Packers with a are not too far gone. The meat is tribution and meetings to mobilize the workers in the plants. The plan



versity of Chicago Settlement ness makes have

thusiastic delegates from all departments of the big Armour Chicago Plant hammered out the local's 1940 program at the First Annual Conference of Local 347 held Sunday, May 15 at the United Sunday Sunday, May 15 at the United Sunday Sunday

D-State New York What's Doing With a Edition of the Wage Increase for Steel?



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Does Mayor O'Dwyer Really Mean He Won't Run Again

The Mayor's statement weighed and the line-up of candidates pre-viewed.

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Shanghai, World's Fourth City, **Welcomes Liberation Armies**

A North China News Agency dispatch describes the strategy that liberated Shanghai and is now closing in on the last "capital" of the Kuomintang forces-Canton. - See page

The South and the Nation — **New Trends vs. Bourbon Aims**

Two searching articles on the rising freedom movement of Negro Americans and efforts to stop it by the fascist Dixiecrats and their agents in the trade union rightwing. -See pages 6 and 7

BROOKLYN RALLY ASKS SWIFT TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL



A call for repeal of the Taft-Hartley law and a return to the Wagner Act was sounded as Brooklyn unionists demonstrated at Borough Hall.

JOHN GATES OPENS DEFENSE FOR 12

- See Page 3 -

by William Z. Foster

IN DEFENSE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY AND THE INDICTED LEADERS

-See Section Two

Upstate Communists Hold Parley on Negro Rights

By Jonnie Ellis

SYRACUSE.-Eighty-five persons representing Communist Party branches throughout the apstate area assembled in this city on Saturday, May 21, to map a program of intensifying the fight for the rights of the Negro people and the fight against "racist ideology."

The conference, presided over by Mrs. Hattie Lumpkin, Buffalo ing Feiner, Syracuse University labor unity in opposition to Wall mass support for the freedom of

several delegate from Albany, Bingh a m to n. Ithaca and other upstate cities was the dangerous growth of "Hitier - like racism," "white superiority" and chauvinism i n the country and



H. LUMPKIN

how this poison-Party.

a major weapon of Big Business the organization upstate. to divide the people and especially 2. Rooting out all tendencies the working class, speaker after of white chauvinism within the speaker called for a relentless ranks of the Party and simultanestruggle against all forms and ex- ously raising to a higher level the aim of Big Business to divide pressions of chauvinism within the struggle for the full political, eco- Negro and white workers, to ranks of the Communist Party, nomic and social rights of the trade unions, schools and mass Negro people. organizations.

munist Party Chairman, reported organizations and especially the halt to speedup and layoffs, on recent campaigns conducted by trade unions. Conducting a strug- the preservation and extenlocal progressive forces against gle to prevent the mass ousting sion of civil liberties.

Negro community. increased police terror against the jobs. Negro people was part of the general reactionary war drive and national campaigns to free the Inthat democratic-minded white peo- gram family and the Trenton Six ple must defend the civil rights and for the enactment of civil white, defied hoodhums and of their Negro brothers and in so rights legislation in the 81st Con- turned out to hear Mrs. Bessie doing would be defending their gress. own rights and advancing the Guest speakers at the conferfight for peace."

Feiner-Trenton Six case which had Howard Johnson, Hank Farash

leading Communist, heard a keynote report by Albert Lutsky, Erie County Communist Party chairman, who emphasized that "the struggle for Negro rights in the United States today is essential for communities. Negro rights in the Conference was urged to bring the meaning of this case to all upstate communities. tial for cementing Negro-white, state communities and develop Street's drive to war and fascism."

A central theme underscored for the keynoter and process who are out to destroy the civil liberties of the whole

parley, a program of action was six Negro men sentenced to presented by John Noto, Western death by an all-white pury for New York Communist Party Chairman, which was unanimously a crime they could not have adopted by the delegates, calling for a heightened struggle for Ne-Make no mistake the fate gro rights and against white chanvinism.

were:

ous ideology was even penetrating 1. Strengthening of the Com- Scottsboro Case, this frameup the ranks of the Communist munist Party by a fuller integration of Negro members into the leadership and specifically elect-TERMING "white chauvinism" ing a Negro to a full-time post in during the present cold-war

3. Carrying the fight for Negro Simon Fialkoff, Albany Com- rights to all communities, people's manding wage increases, a police brutality directed at the of Negro workers from industry New Yorkers are displaying through a program of adjusted New Yorkers are displaying Fialkoff pointed out that "the seniority, upgrading, hiring and rising indignation over this

ence from the state and national Speakers representing the Syra- offices of the Communist Party cuse organization reported on the included Pettis Perry, May Miller, received statewide response. (Irv-Jand William Johnson.

(AN EDITORIAL)

The New Jersey Supreme Court now is reviewing the American people." Court now is reviewing the AT THE CONCLUSION of the case of the Trenton Six, the death by an all-white jury for

Make no mistake, the fate of these men concerns every Among the proposals accepted one of us, Negro and white. Aptly dubbed the northern symbolizes the growing oppression of the Negro people hysteria. Behind the fascist jimcrow "justice" that railroaded the Trenton Six is the ensure that they do not stand shoulder to shoulder in de-

cold - blooded frame-up. hundred persons, Negro and Mitchell, relative of one of the sentenced men.

In Utica, Mrs. Mitchell addressed a packed house at the AFL Labor Temple. The audience contributed \$113 and formed a permanent civil rights body to carry on the fight.

In Syracuse police arrested Irving Feiner, young college student and vet, for using a public address system to deton Six. Feiner was promised his release if he gave his word not to persist in his campaigning. He refused, with the re-Rufus Frasier, Chairman of the sult that he was expelled from one of the largest outdoor meetings in the city's record.

Be it Yonkers or Syracuse, the story is the same: Increasing attempts are being made to dam up the rising flood of

Nevertheless, from Buffalo, Rochester, Albany and other points throughout the state, are streaming petitions, letters and wires demanding the release of the Trenton Six.

The demonstrations should for civil rights will highlight the continue. The protests must 13th annual meeting of the New York State conference of Branches mount until they merge into

are near the 300,000 plurality which to have inhernational control of China.

-IOHN NOTO



Whats' With a Wage Increase in Steel?

By Russ Depasquale

BUFFALO.

THE STATEMENT of Philip-Murray that the steel bosses would negotiate in a "constructive manner" has been answered by the U.S. Steel corporation. In a letter to the union, they stated that they would not discuss pensions and only regretfully would they negotiate on wages and social welfare.

The statement of Eugene Grace of Bethlehem Steel that al-

though they made \$33,000,000 in the first three months of this year

they would not give a fourth round of wage increase, is an indication of the attitude of the steel bosses in the coming negotiations with the Steel

These statements are a result of the Steel Union officials of not involving the membership in a struggle against the steel bosses. The steel bosses know that unless the rank and file is mobilized for these struggles the position of the union will be weakened.

The Steel trusts can be forced to give a much needed wage increase of some 25 to 30 cents per hour and a pension plan to be paid directly from

the profits of the companies plus a decent social welfare program, only if the million steel workers are brought into the fight as they were in 1946. The workers of Bethlehem well remember what happened to the wage inequity program when they were not involved in a struggle against the company and they lost millions of dollars. Bethlehem recently reported that they were returning to their coffers \$8,000,000 set aside to pay these inequities.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT that Joseph Maloney has been named to negotiate with Bethlehem is no guarantee that the voice of the steel membership will be heard. Maloney seems to be more interested in covering up for his pal Harry Truman than to fight for the needs of the Steel workers. It is under his leadership that the union has done nothing to stop the discrimination against the Negro steel workers in regard to up-grading and hiring in the Buffalo area steel plants. Under his leadership, the Strip Mill (Local 2604) remains a lily-white local. What has Maloney got to say when a team from this lily-white local participates in the state Bowling Tournament that bars Negroes from competition?

Yes, only through a determined fight by the rank and file steel workers can there be a struggle to settle the hundreds of grievances that the steelworkers face.

The battle facing the steelworkers can be won if the rank and

file steelworkers demand: 1. A specific wage increase of from 25 to 30 cents an hour.

2. That the Steel Union coordinate its wage fight with those of the UE, Rubber, Auto, and other CIO unions.

3. The stopping of raids on progressive unions and the disgraceful goon tactics that were used by Steel in Alabama. 4. Strengthening the unity of Negro and white steelworkers by fighting the company drive to downgrade Negroes and to elimi-

nate them from skilled departments and jobs through special victimization and layoffs. 5. Developing the campaign against layoffs, for the 30-hour week at 40 hours pay, and against speedup as a part of the wage

6. That any agreement reached between the Steel Union and the Steel companies be ratified by a vote of the membership.

Johnson Case Review Promised by Bureau

BUFFALO.-The Welfare Bu- the entire story concerning Mrs. reau promised this week to re- Johnson, from the May 15 edition mand freedom for the Trenview the case of Mrs. Jonnie of the UPSTATE WORKER. Johnson, Negro mother of seven nounced they intend to reprint the children, who has been told by same story, and to follow the case the Bureau that she can either go until victory is achieved. back to Tennessee or starve. In a letter sent May 20 to Mrs. Johnson, Assistant Area Director John Ellicott District, American Labor school and now faces a thirty-J. Keppler of the State Depart- Party, urged continued pressure day jail sentence. Rallying to ment of Social Welfare stated he on the Department of Social Wel- his defense, Syracusans staged was reviewing the case, and fare to guarantee an early hearing asked for further information. for Mrs. Johnson. Frasier stated: This was in response to the letter "I wish to thank the members of sent by Mrs. Johnson protesting the American Labor Party who, the refusal of aid.

to mount for Mrs. Johnson, as the news spread through the Ellicott district. The Buffalo Spokesman, help is needed. Send all dona-protests. Negro weekly, last week reprinted, with banner headlines, Monroe St., Buffalo."

Send all material, advertisements and subscriptions for the Upstate New York edition to the nearest branch office: 921 Main St., Rm. 218,

Buffalo, N. Y. 116 Wall St., Schenectady, N. Y. 9 Riverdale Ave., Rm. 3,

on May 7, gave a donation of \$7 Meanwhile, support continued to Mrs. Johnson. Two members

New York NAACP **Holds State Parley**

JAMESTOWN, N. Y.-Discussion of legal and legislative action of the National Association for the one deafening roar: FREE Advancement of Colored People, to be held here Friday and Saturday, May 28-29 and so for the colored People, THE TRENTON SIX!

—JOHN NO

DEMAND FREEDOM

For The Trenton Six

(Six New Jersey Negroes railroaded to the electric chair on a frame-up charge).

Write or wire Gov. Alfred E. Driscoll, Trenton, N. J., demanding he immediately free the Trenton Six.

For Irving Feiner

(Young student and war veteran facing 30 days in jail and school ouster for activity in the campaign to free the Trenton Six).

Write or wire Judge Leo Breed, County Court, Syracuse. N. Y., urging he throw out the conviction of Irving Feiner by ruling favorably on his appeal now pending.

Write or wire Vice-Chancellor Finla Crawford, Syracuse University, demanding the unconditional re-instatement of Irving Feiner.

Write Today! Get Your Family and Friends to Write!

Have Your Club and Trade Union Act!

The Civil Liberties of All Are at Stake in These Cases!



Principle Price - A picket and a number of veterans, also dren at the Federal Building last Ferguson police-state bill. the frame-up trial of the 12 Com- busy 9th and Market Sts. area

line of 100 men, women and chil-called for defeat of the Mundt-

Saturday noon called for ending Thousands of passers-by in the munist leaders. The demonstra- took leaflets. Hundreds thronged tion, sponsored by the Civil Rights the opposite side of the street Congress, included Negro and quietly watching the demonstrawhite trade unionists, civie leaders tion for civil liberties.

Japanese Communists Expose Imperialist Squeeze on Nation

By Hugh Deane

TOKYO (Telepress) - A sharpening class struggle characterizes Japan today as the Yoshida Cabinet acts more and more obviously as the agent both of domestic and international monopolies, Kyuichi Tokuda, general secretary of the Communist Party, declared here in a comprehensive article published in Akahata, "Red Flag."

In his analysis, entitled "The jor points:

in the hands of the bureaucratic fascist-like methods. state during and after the war, to the big banks, thereby enabling them to form direct ties with fordirectly.

As far as foreign trade is conthird of international market pansion." prices.

THE GOVERNMENT is placing the burden of loss from trade

Huneral Notice

The parents of Lieutenant LEONARD WITKIN

inform their friends and his that funeral services will be held at 1225 JEROME AVE., BRONX

SUNDAY, MAY 29 - 11 A.M. Leonard lost his life fighting against the Nazis and fascists. He was a member of the Young Communist League and the AYD. He sacrificed his life for his country and that people shall be free and happy.

We, the parents, in the sorrow of our great loss are proud that our son had been in the progressive camp.

on the backs of the people, while giving subsidies to monopolies to assure them of huge profits.

The government is reviving the landlord system, raising rents of tenant farmers and killing the land reform, thereby creating the socio-economic foundation for militarism.

The government is lowering the national level of education, cience, industrial technology and arts to that of colonial countries.

It is strengthening organizations Struggle for Democracy in Japan," designed to suppress popular op-Tokuda makes the following ma-position to its policies. It is trying to isolate the Communist Party, The government has transferred the vanguard of the struggle for financial control, which had been democracy, and to suppress it by

AS A RESULT of the intensifyeign monopolies. It has also ing class struggle, Tokuda wrote, ceased governmental economic "Even national capitalists and controls and allowed the big banks small landlords are being comto dominate whole industries pelled to fight against the handful of monopolies and their agents.

"After a long period of supcerned, Japan has no sovereignty. pression, the Communist Party of Prices of imported goods are Japan has accumulated revolution-three times as high as official ary energy for leadership of the prices on the average, while those postwar struggle for democracy. of export products are about one- It has achieved a successful ex-

"Throughout Asia movements for the liberation of colonial and semi-colonial peoples are growing under the leadership of Marxism-Leninism-Stalinism and can never be permanently suppressed. The struggle for democracy in Japan moves forward with the tide of the world situation.'

Navajo Miners Win Family-Life Struggle

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah .-Fewer Navajo workers will be available for off-reservation agricultural employment for Utah this year than last, reports the Utah Department of Employment Secur-

At Bingham center of copper production Navajo miners greeted the decision classifying Bingham as a reservation so that families can for the first time live with the

MONUMENTS WEISS MONUMENTAL WORKS

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Beating of Negro Spurs Rockaway Protest Move

The wanton beating of a defenseless Negro in Rockaaway Beach has roused the community to form the Rockaway Civil Rights Committee to stop the mounting police brutality. The committee was set up at a meeting Tuesday night endangers the freedom, civil rights

attended by 50 representatives from the Community Civic League, O'Neal is a Negro they can do King Arthur Lodge, Macedonia anything they please. Mr. O'Neal Church, St. Baptist Church, Ameris a law-abiding citizen of Rockican Labor Party, Communist away Beach, innocent of any wrong Party and Young Progressives of

Special attention was given to the case of James O'Neal, who on May 7, standing outside his house at 217 Beach 84th St., at midnight, was accosted by two policemen. He was placed under arrest and taken to the 100th Precinct where upon Jews, Catholics, Italianhe was brutally beaten and booked Americans and trade unionists as a policy player.

"This is an outragous frame-up," charged a leaflet issued by the

the King Arthur Lodge, 24, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York. He is a reputable and respectable leader respected by his people."

The leaflet warned that attacks would follow unless the attacks were protested.

The police think that because without cause, stopping people on 10.

the street and refusing to let three or more congregate on the street. "This brutality of law and order and security of all people white

and colored," they pointed out. The meeting voted to affiliate with the Civil Rights Congress, to send a delegation to the 100th doings. He is financial secretary of Precinct to protest the wave of brutality and to wire Mayor O'Dwyer and Police Commissioner O'Brien.

Protest Milk Hike

HARRISBURG.-Protest against a one-cent milk price increase now scheduled for July 1 will be held by the State Milk Control Commission in Philadel-Ministers attending the Tuesday phia, June 2; Allentown, June 1; James O'Neil Defense Committee, night meeting reported that police Lancaster, June 3; Reading, June formed shortly after the attack. were barging into Negro, homes 8; York, June 9; Harrisburg, June

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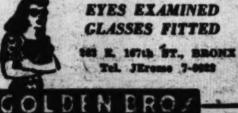
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ANKS STAR

They were sorry for poor old Casey Stengel when he started the American League season with a team rated on the downhill path even IF the peerless Joe DiMaggio were in there. Without the unfortunate Frisco slugger it looked like the end and many were the stories written about the crumPCL batting leader who has more of the stuff that labelled him

bling of the Yankee empire.

fault with Casey to date). The always could hit and still does. as everybody waits for the Yanks Yankee success has a very material Cliff Mapes, filling the big center-to collapse. basis, so material that the team may pick up momentum on it and field gap, is showing more and. They just may not do it! fool a lot of people, including

bellwethered by big Vic Raschi, one little hitch, failure against the Bosox, and may become the league's top man. Nobody has been getting the kind of hurling field. Sanford, the "\$100,000 bust" chance," says the youthful Philafor a while, has shown signs of delphia third sacker, "I watched me plenty just the same." look out.

A combination of surprising baseman. rookies and surprising holdovers is

The improved holdovers: Larry years ago. the Yanks atop the league, and the Berra catcher who has been Phil Rizzuto is still Phil Rizzuto Sox and Indians, are beginning to take the Yanks very very seriously!

Of course, it's not Stengel's doing.

The course has shall miracle manhelped immeasurably by the tutor- and Tommy Henrich is still Tom-There are no baseball miracle managers (though nobody can find he knows he's settled down. He gel will remain happy just as long

But here it is nearly June with weighed in with some big hits. | a batting terror at Kansas City two

Messrs. Veeck and Yawkey. It's composed of what is today the best pitching staff in the game, Messrs. Veeck and Yawkey. Messrs. Veeck and Yawkey.

a real ace who has overcome his Phils' "Puddin' Head," Crack Rookie, Says He Owes Lots to Detroit's Kell

George Kell of Detroit doesn't know it, but if Willie featured by Vic, the suddenly ma- (Puddin' Head) Jones of the Phillies develops into a toptured Byrnes, Lopat and Porter-flight third baseman it'll be his fault. "Every time I had a

swinging into line and if he does, Kell. Hes my idea of a great third Jones, A 23-year-old rookie from

doing the rest of it. The first named exhibition games this spring. He "a fellow who loves to play ball." are Dick Kryhoski, making the showed me how to get in front of "Willie's the kind of guy who can grade at first base, Dick Coleman, the ball and how to throw from not get enough baseball," Sawyer a Newark grad who filled in for different positions. He didn't added. "He's got a good pair of Stirnweiss, hit much harder than George and gradually learned the know I was watching him and I hands, a strong arm and a desire new position, and Gene Woodling, never spoke to him but he helped to improve. "In a few years, it's

Laurel Hill, N. C., is described by "I watched him real close in the Phillie manager Eddie Sawyer as my opinion that he'll be one of the best infielders in the game."

> Jones put in most of the 1948 season with Toronto of the International League where he batted .275.

> He played in 17 games with the Phillies during the tail-end of the 48 campaign and before the start of the 1949 spring training season, Sawyer announced, "the only player sure of a job with the Phillies is Jones."

How did Jones feel about Saw yer's vote of confidence?

"It didn't bother me too much," he declared. "I just decided ! would have to work that much harder."

And work harder he did. During the first week of the campaign, Puddin' Head came to bat four times in one contest and connected for four straight doubles to tie a major league record.

"Funny thing about those doubles," mused Jones, "I never knew I was tieing any record or anything like that. I was only swingin' to get on base. They told me about the record after the game."

Jones is the kind of ball player who plods along, playing the game instinctively without burdening himself too much with the fine points of strategy. He sums up his feelings in the matter when he

"I like playing third base because you don't have to think too much. The ball is on you in a second and you either do or you don't."

Most of the time, however, he

About the nickname Puddin' Head, Jones says:

"Got that name from Mark Twain's book. Remember Puddin' Head, the easy-goin feller who didn't get in anybody's way?

Score Board

By Lester Rodney



Strikeout Kings Wanted

WHERE OH WHERE are the strikeout kings of yesteryear? A look at the current pitching performances reveals a slacking off in this department. Since Bob Feller set his 348 mark in 1946 and then changed his style, nobody else has come along with a real strikeout record. Last year, despite his shakiness for a long period, Bob still led the AL with 164, a far cry from his record. Brecheen of the Cards led the National with 149, but isn't hitting a fast strikeout pace this year.

Hal Newhouser has been averaging about five per game, which will probably win him the AL title but not come close to any marks. Brooklyn's Ralph Branca is hitting about the same pace. Actually, both are apt to stress strikeouts less rather than more in time to come. There is no little suspicion about Feller's concentration on whiffing in 1946 contributed to the losing of some of his speed and elasticity. It will be recalled that Bob himself announced after that tremendous feat that he would now concentrate on control and winning games instead, so he may have suspected that it did him no good to try blowing 'em all down.

Easter and the "Free Press"

LUKE EASTER, the tremendous rookie slugger playing for Cleveland's San Diego farm in the Pacific Coast League, is hot about the way certain Coast writers are misquoting him and trying to present him in the usual Negro stereotype. They take contemptuous liberties with him they never dare with white players. So Easter discovered a scurrilous piece in the sheet called Pacific Coast League Baseball Magazine filled with Stepin Fetchit dialect. The whole thing was sheer fabrication, the writer never having interviewed Easter at all. Freedom of the press, you know. Blazing mad, Easter set about discovering who did the piece, so he could tell him off properly.

At San Francisco, he told a reporter of the "Peoples World," progressive West Coast daily, "Most of the reporters are honest and report what they hear and see. But there have been some in every city who put words in my mouth that I have never said. These reporters try to pretend that I don't know how to speak, that I am

a man who has had no schooling.

"Each day I read in the papers some words I have never spoken, written in an ignorant accent. They're just nonsense words they make up and then pretend that I said them. If they can't report honestly I wish they'd leave me alone. Why don't they judge me on the number of hits, runs batted in and home runs - in other words, why can't they treat me as a baseball player?"

Easter went on with emphasis, "I am one of my people. I respect my people. I want to behave in such a way that they never be ashamed of me. But what are they going to think when the reporters write that I've got a swelled head? What respect will people have for me when reporters tell them that I'm a showboat or a blowhard? I'm not that way and anybody who knows me could have told the newspapers the truth."

There's a Reason

THEY CAN'T TREAT you as just a baseball player, Luke Easter, because they are prostitutes of the typewriter and their big money newspaper bosses are an important part of the never ceasing propaganda machine which pumps its big lie poison of white supremacy into its readers every day of the week in one form or another. They use not only the newspapers but the movies, radio, television, comic books and even the schoolbooks. Monopoly capitalism, which owns and runs for the profit of a few our whole great and beautiful and productive country, has to keep the people divided, has to conduct a special oppression of the fifteen million Negro Americans above all, and believe me, as long as they get away with it we all suffer from the insanity of depressions in the midst of plenty and war hysteria in the midst of the overwhelming desire for peace.

If this is "politics" in a sports column, it's the only way such a sports question can be honestly be answered. Speaking of the socalled "free press," the prominent Negro spokesman, Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, speaking at a peace rally at Madison Square Garden recently, said, "I'm beginning to ask myself why I should believe the same newspapers which have lied about my people for three hundred years, when they write about the Soviet Union, the countries of Eastern Europe and the 'iron curtain'."

Louis Found Out

JOE LOUIS became familiar with some of these newspaper techniques. An average, normal guy, he was forced to read about himself as a "sullen tiger" and things like that. It's interesting to recall how some of the more vicious eolumnists built him up as a "superman" after he became champ, a flawless savage fighting machine without weaknesses. What they were doing, of course, was trying to de-humanize Louis, the only resort left to white supremacists when facing someone of Joe's caliber.

Louis himself knew this was nonsense, that there were no supermen in or out of the prize rings, just human beings. He always felt, and expressed, respect for the possibilities of his opponents.

And lo and behold, when he failed to knock out his opponent in a hurry, just continued to be a great fighting champion by winning again, the "very writers" who bad created the superman myth now turned on him sneering that he was "overrated, dull witted," etc.

And even after Louis had retired and gone into the promotional field, when you'd think it was all over, he found the same thing all over again in a "press interview" that was turned into a sneering inquisition.

These white superiority guys can't treat Luke Easter as just another-ballplayer, or Joe Louis on his merits as a fighter. They are always keenly sensitive to the Negro question in this jimcrow society of ours, something that hasn't always been true of white progressives, unfortunately, in the recent past.

NEW PHYSIQUE PHENOM

OUT OF NO-WHERE in the national body building field eame Melvin Wells, a 30-yearold Ford worker from Buffalo, to place second in the AAU championship at Cleveland last week in the Mr. America competition. He won top honors for arm and development and most muscle divisions. A veteran of 30 months in the Army and 14 months overseas, Wells developed an interest in weight lifting and physique and applied himself in his spare time. A member of Local 425, UAW, Wells won the New York State contest, and in the magazine Your Physique it is stated with some little specialization he should become the best built of all time. In unofficial weightlifting, he has already come close to the world record. Wells was an all-round high school star, and won the Buffalo







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A North China News Agency dispatch describes the strategy that liberated Shanghai and is now closing in on the last "capital" of the Kuomintang forces—Canton.

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National Board Acts to Split CIO by Ultimatum to Unions

The recent meeting of the top CIO officials reviewed and note taken of the meaning of some of their decisions—as seen by The Worker's labor editor, George Morris.

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The South and the Nation — New Trends vs. Bourbon Aims

Two searching articles on the rising freedom movement of Negro Americans and efforts to stop it by the fascist Dixiecrats and their agents in the trade union rightwing.

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Use Confessed Slayer
To Frame Byard Jenkins

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BROOKLYN RALLY ASKS SWIFT TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL



A call for repeal of the Taft-Hartley law and a return to the Wagner Act was sounded as Brooklyn unionists demonstrated at Borough Hall.

JOHN GATES OPENS DEFENSE FOR '12'

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by William Z. Foster

IN DEFENSE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY AND THE INDICTED LEADERS

—See Section Two

eld on Bail in Beating of Negr

PHILADELPHIA.—Police officer William Fox of the 20th and Buttonwood St. Station, has been held on \$1,000 bail for the Grand Jury in the brutal beating of a 15-year-old Negro boy, John

Fox was arrested on a warrant sworn out by the boy's mother, Mrs. Lillian Jackson. At a hearing before Magistrate William A. Byrd, he was charged with assault and battery and aggravated assault and battery.

A Progressive Party delegation last week visited Police Superintendent Sutton and demanded Fox be suspended, but Sutton refused pending Fox's trial,

The Progressives also demanded that a memorandum be read to every police officer that disciplinary measures would follow incidents of this kind in the future. Sutton said it was regular police policy to keep officers in line in this respect.

Investigation revealed, however, that the last order warning police officers not to use "unnecessary force" was issued July, 1944, and only said, "police officers should be tolerant."

At the same time, the 14th Ward Progressive Party was planning a series of street corner meetings in the area surrounding Jackson's home at 712-B Warnock Place. This is a few blocks from the home of Byard Jenkins, 19-year old Negro framed on a murder charge.

The Baptist Ministers Conference also went on record last week giving 100 percent support to the prosecution of Fox.

This is Jackson's story:

Fox bought groceries at a Baltimore Market, 15th Street and Fairmount Ave., outside of which young Jackson worked as a delivery boy. Fox gave his order to a young man and told him to deliver them to his home.

Fox failed to find the groceries at home and returned to the market and grabbed the first delivery boy he could find, John Jackson.

Fox dragged Jackson along the street to his home. On the way he slapped the boy several times, threatening to shoot if he ran.

At-Fox's home, Jackson was beaten about the head and face by Fox until the boy fell unconscious. Jackson said this was done in the presence of Fox's family.

Jackson was taken to the 20th and Buttonwood streets Station and booked on charges of grocery theft. At the station, Fox kicked the youth in the groin. He was so badly hurt he had to be removed to Hahnneman Hospital.

Charges were subsequently dropped against Jackson when the groceries were found elsewhere.

Philly Pickets to Free '12'

PHILADELPHIA. - A picket line of 100 men, women and children at the Federal Building last Saturday noon called for ending the frame-up trial of the 12 Communist leaders. The demonstration, sponsored by the Civil Rights Congress, included Negro and white trade unionists, civic leaders and a number of veterans, also called for defeat of the Mundt-Ferguson police-state bill.

Thousands of passers-by in the busy 9th and Market Sts. area took leaflets. Hundreds thronged the opposite side of the street. quietly watching the demonstration for civil liberties.



eelworkers As Layoffs Rise

PITTSBURGH.-The Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp. disclosed May 4 that approximately 1,700 workers had been laid off in its plants at Brackenridge and West Leechburg, Pa., during the first quarter of the year. Since the weekly work schedule has been sharply curtailed.

The company, which had 12,500 employes in January, now has 10,000. It is a major producer of stainless and other high alloy steels.

Brackehridge with one out of every five workers "furloughed" indefinitely, is where the second pany. annual "love-fest" between the corporation heads and steel unon Steel Car Shutdown officials took place a month ago.

Hiland G. Batcheller, president of the corporation, was host, together with the local plant department heads and foremen, to the CIO Steelworkers Union national and local officers, in a big party at the Brackenridge Heights Country Club. David J. McDonald, secretary-treasurer of the steel union. represented Philip Murray, in toasts to the labor-management collaboration symbolized by the banquet.

Open Hearth Closes

of the Crucible Steel Co., which was closed down April 29 reopened May 16 but with the Open Secretary Andrew R. Hakos of an income bracket above the Hearth Department discontinued. Steel Local 1844, emphasized the amount prescribed for residence in Work hitherto done in that depart suddenness of the collapse of the the project. ment will be carried on in the com- industry. Grievance Committee pany's remodelled plant at Mid-Chairman Leo O. Molli declared WORK WEEK CUT

Fruit of Collaboration given lower-paid jobs while others duction of 12,000 monthly to rewere indefinitely furloughed.

> Those laid off will be entitled to properly. the company.

When the amount of severance PRR Lays Off 10,000 pay has been decided, each worker entitled to it who has received or

McKEES ROCKS.-The Pressed Steel Car Co. has notified its 3,000 employes that it expects to close down by July because of lack of Protest March orders. A number have already been laid off.

Officials of the CIO United Steelworkers here have announced their readiness to collaborate with orders. They point out that the July 1. 10,000 freight cars turned out by the industry last year was far from the Philadelphia Housing Ausatisfying the need of the railroads, thority which administers the proj-

place these and equip the lines

severance pay, provided they had The union leaders did not menworked for the company at least tion that the Marshall Plan and two years. Maximum severance other foreign policies of the govpay is equivalent to eight weeks ernment are excluding an enormous pay but this goes only to those who potential market in such countries had worked at least 10 years for as Poland, Romania, etc., and the new China,

ALTOONA.-The entire carbeen offered a jcb by the company building and repair plant here of must decide which he will choose the Pennsylvania Railroad was the job or the severance pay. Ac- closed down May 20 for 10 days, ceptance of the latter automatically throwing 11,000 employes out of ends his employment with the com- work. Railroad officials declared the "continued decrease in the demand for transportation "caused the layoffs. This is the second large-scale layoff this year.

Tenants Stage

PHILADELPHIA. - More than 100 tenants at the Tasker Housing Project in South Philadelphia last week staged a protest march the company in efforts to secure against rent increases ordered for

The rent hikes were ordered by PITTSBURGH.—The local plant the rolling stock of which was in ect, while efforts are being made the Crucible Steel Co. which bad shape after the war.

Both President Al Ciccone and They have allegedly reached

500 RESCUE YOUNG NEGRO POLICE GRAB AT MEETING

Poplar Sts., in the heart of North Negroes we are talking about."
Philadelphia's Negro area. Police The people started protesti had dragged the youth from the microphone where he was addressing a Progressive Party street ing: "Turn that man loose! . . . meeting to protest a prevoius po- Take him out of that car." lice beating of another young Negro.

The rescued Negro, whose name was not known, had come up from dragged the youth out of the car the crowded street meeting and and freed him. He disappeared. obtained permission to speak. Police, who were raising technicali-ties about the permit for the meet-beating of 15-year-old John Jacking, went after him and dragged son in which patrolman William him to their car.

The chairman of the meeting, for court.

PHILADELPHIA. - Resisting a white Progressive Party worker, police terror, five hundred Negro Sanford Berlin, took the mike and men and women rescued a Negro told the crowd: "There is an exyouth from a police red car last ample before your eyes of the po-Saturday afternoon at Jessup and lice brutality and treatment of

The people started protesting and surged toward the car, cry-

After police refused, and one cop made a threatening gesture toward his gun holster, the crowd

The meeting was one of a num-Fox is being held in \$1,000 bail

----- By Catherine Frost -----

W. L. Batt of SKF, U. S. Capitalist, 1949

THE BOSS at SKF, ball bearing plant, where 2,200 CIO steelworkers were locked out in a wage dispute May 16, is one William L. Batt.

Batt is an interesting character.

Though the steelworkers in his plant certainly have no illusions concerning him, Batt has nevertheless won himself the reputation of being a "liberal." He's one of those "liberal capitalists" who believes in "American participation in world affairs."

He's a director, for instance, of the World Affairs Council of Philadelpha, an organization presumably dedicated to "international understanding."

On the domestic front, he has paid lip-service over a local radio station to FEPC legislation, though he practices discrimination in his plants.

His son, moreover, manifestly with Papa's blessings, is an active leader in ADA and other social democratic "liberal" enterprises.

IT IS this "liberal," William Batt, Sr., who last week won an injunction from the courts to prevent mass picketing at his plant, where workers voted "no contract, no work," after months of fruitless negotiations for a new contract.

This "liberal," moreover was the first employer in postwar America to revert to the use of injunctions in labor disputes. When his workers went on strike, November, 1945, he used the courts and the cops to try to smash the picket line with violence.

His action at this time set the pattern for injunctions and police violence in the "first round" of postwar strikes.

The "liberal" Batt, it is true, feels intense interest in "world affairs." He should! He is up to his neck in international manipu-

He supports the "humanitarian" Marshall Plan, and of course the Atlantic Pact which backs it up. He should! The heart of the Marshall Plan is rebuilding German nazified industry. And this is of untold benefit to Batt's international SKF cartel.

FOR INSTANCE: At the close of the war, the Allies agreed to prohibit Germann manufacture of ball bearings, considered a war potential. After a visit to Germany by Batt, however, VKF (a subsidiary of the internatinal Swedish SKF cartel) was allowed to resume production. Not only that: VKF's only potential competitor was dismantled by American occupation authorities.

A powerful man, William Batt, Sr.! Today, on the home front, as the economic crisis gains, William Batt, Sr. is again taking the lead in trying to destroy organized labor-standing brutal and pat against the wage demands of the United Steelworkers of America, CIO.

Batt, in his own person, is a one-man illustration of the American capitalist class, 1949:

Beat down labor at home for the cold-war economy! Push the cold war abroad to make the world safe and plushy for About 250 men were affected freight cars a month and that ex
averaged 40.4 hours in May, 1948, "liberal" phrases to fool the American people into partnership with

the discontinuance. Some were perts claimed it would take a pronow average 38.9 hours of colored at bleen and metal looks, the discontinuance of the bleen and metal looks, the looks of the looks and the looks of th Cultural, Topical and Otherwise . . .

Cultural Fete Marks Whitman Birthday

By Margaret Winslow

This Sunday, May 29, will be Walt Whitman day for the people of the Philadelphia-Camden area where the Bard members are circulating petitions of Democracy, spent his last 20 years. The most ambitious put out by the YPA on the issue.

program since the war is being undertaken in connection with Whitman's 130th birthday celebra-

Among the noted writers sponsoring today's Walt Whitman Memorial festival in Camden, in connection with Masses and Mainstream, are: Howard Fast, Samuel Sillen, Aaron Kramer, Ben Field and Richard Boyer, and Mother Bloor who knew Whitman and has for years been a driving force in spreading his influence.

Sunday's ceremonies will wind up in the evening with a cultural festival at the Walt Whitman Hotel where noted writers will speak, and top flight musical features will be heard.

Participation of large groups of workers, particularly young people, is expected from the Eastern seafamous Whitman house on Mickle Mission-25c.



WALT WHITMAN

board. The ceremonies start at 3 YPA'S 5-piece band, strangely p.m. at Whitman's grave in Har-known as Chub's Bobs, will be Hall last Saturday. leigh cemetery, Haddon Ave. At featured entertainment at a YPA 4 p.m. visitors will go on a spe-Party, Friday, May 27, at the IWO fare hike in a resolution passed cially conducted tour through the center, 6th and Mifflin Sts. Ad-last week.

THE PROGRESSIVE Party caravan, composed of six young Wednesday afternoon at Reyburn THE YOUNG PROGRESSIVES' artists who tour picketlines and annual picnic is scheduled for May meetings, bringing the issues of the Committee Against a Fare Rise. 29 at Nature Friends Camp. Trans- day to the people through songs, portation will leave Broad and Ol- skits and dances, is back in town blasting the PUC also condemned ney at 8 a.m. Round trip-\$1. Stu- for a two week stay. They are "the betrayal of the people of dents and unemployed - 75c. available for bookings. Call Pro-Bring your own swim suit, and gressive Party office, KI 5-3713 for more information.

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By A Westinghouse Worker

EAST PITTSBURGH

The Westinghouse Co. in East Pittsburgh has been cutting our classifications left and right.

In the AB division where I work, they cut a worker from elass seven to five. Thats a difference of about \$300 a year earnings.

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The talk developed into an organized meeting that was held at the union hall during working hours. At the meeting we discussed the issues and decided to fight it out.

Although there were many differences among the men on this issue, we were all united to fight a common enemy, the company. The meeting showed that if the men were given proper leadership, they were ready to take the company on. The group decided to put a leastet out to the entire division telling the whole story of phony figures to show continual

the fight around this grievance and asking the support of every worker in the division. This grievance is now being fought out on the higher levels Philadelphia by the two old parof the union grievance procedure. The one sure way to win victories ties, and declared: on these grievances is to get the men in every section to show the

company that they will not get away with their wage-cutting program of reducing our classifications.

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by O. JOHN ROCCE **PROGRESSIVE**

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PHILADELPHIA. - With vets especially hard hit by the mounting unemployment crisis, a number of trade unions, officially and through rank and file members, are supporting the fight to keep 52-20 veterans allottments from expiring in July. The fight is being led here by the Young Pro-

The executive board of CIO

Transport Workers Local 234, has endorsed the YPA's campaign and YPA Calls Parley

A resolution introduced by the Transport Workers on 52-20 was Economic Needs of Youth, June 4, also passed by the CIO State Con- 5 and 6. vention last week.

The YPA is backing HR 3818, sponsored by Rep. Vito Marcantonio, which would extend 52-20 re-apply and extend coverage to tending and widening 52-20 almerchant seamen.

Also circulating YPA Vet peti-

culminate in a national lobby and of Local 155, UE, CIO Food and conference in Washington on the Tobacco Workers.

The first two days will be devoted to discussion and analysis of how youth best can fight for its lottments.

tions are: Local 2, CIO Office and the AFL Retail Clerks and Shoe Professional Workers, members of Salesmen's union, the Unemployment Council of the CIO Fur and Leather Workers, all shop stewards of Westinghouse Local 107, The YPA's fight on 52-20 will CIO Electrical Workers, members

Also backing the fight is the Young Peoples Jewish Fraternal Order.

The 39th Ward and LaGuardia present needs. The final day will YPA clubs in South Philadelphia for two years, permit vets who be given to lobbying on Capitol are blanketing their neighborhoods have used up their allotments to Hill for Vito Marcantonio's bill ex- with the petitions, reaching hundreds of young people at ball games on the streets and at League Island on Sundays.

Protest Fare Hike

PHILADELPHIA. - Protests continued mounting here last week against the 13cent fare put over for the bankers controlling both the Philadelphia Transportation Co. and the Public Utilities Commission. The Progressive Party demanded removal of the three

PUC commissioners who voted the 13-cent fare and led a picketline protesting the fare hick at City

The State CIO also blasted the

A mass meeting to protest the fare rise was also scheduled for

The Progressive Party statement

Demand Cutback On PTC 'Values'

While a number of court acreturn of the 13-cent fare to 10 Transportation Company and their agents in the Public Utility Commission.

Students of the PTC continued to warn that the heart of Philadelphia's high fare problem is the inflated evaluation of \$93,000,000 for the PTC property on which for higher fares.

Unless the value on which "fair the streets is eliminated from PTC supposedly "legal" but really "losses."

"If the people of Philadelphia want justice in public utility rates, they will have to vote Progressive

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NOW.

TENANTS START MOVING TO GET. HOUSING ACTION

By Norman Anderson

PHILADELPHIA. - Tenants in the 2600 Block N. Plaza, sponsored by the Citizens Sedgely Ave., are acting to get their homes repaired NOW. Because their landlords refuse to repair the row of ancient.

three-story structures they live in, Mrs. Blanche Ray, of 2633 N. of what once must have been Sedgely Ave., narrowly escaping paper or paint. death suffered a fractured shoul- For all this, the tenants, told us, buckling ceiling.

While a number of court actions were demanding immediate first in that block injured because These are all violations of the

agents collecting rents for three Sedgely. of the buildings on that block and demanded immediate repairs.

They are planning another dele-gation to the Board of Health, to demand that city officials act imthe PTV makes out a "legal" case mediately to protect their healthand their lives.

Mrs. Ray and her 11-year-old return" is computed is cut back daughter occupy two small rooms to the original cost of physical as- on the second floor of 2533. Her sets not "replacement cost" and elderly parents, Rabanna and Pete the ancient franchise rights to use Joiner, and their three children were evicted from their home the books, the PTC and PUC can use very day Mrs. Ray was hurt. Now her mother and younger sister are living with her.

She showed us where a leak in the ceiling had cracked the new wallpaper for which she recently paid \$14. That leak was responsible for her injury, she

She took us downstairs, where Mrs. Helen Washington and her four children live. She showed us where the leak had caused a five foot section of Mrs. Washington's ceiling to buckle. It collapsed and showered chunks of plaster on her while she was visiting Mrs. Washington the afternoon of the 15th.

A family of rats fell down with the plaster, she told us.

Mrs. Ray showed us the rest of the building, split up into five apartments and occupied by 21 persons. All the tenants use one toilet on the second floor. Another on the third flooor doesn't work.

There are holes in the hallway floors and there is no lighting in the halls. Large sections of plaster have fallen off the walls, ex-posing the lathwork. The walls

der May 16, when she was hit by their agent, Harry Pollock, 1605 a torrent of plaster falling from a W. Dauphin St., collects a total of \$125 a month from just their

of the landlord's greed and neg- City Housing Code. The tenants cents, there is a growing danger lect. But the tenants don't in- are determined by their own orthat a charge for transfers is betend to take any more chances.

ganization and action to see that

With the sid of the North Phile With the aid of the North Phila- the law is enforced. They began delphia Housing Committee, a with a street corner meeting last delegation of tenants visited Monday night at 26th and

DOLLAR VOLUME DOWN

U. S. consumers spent \$3 billion less in the first quarter of 1949 than in the fourth quarter of 1948. Business expenditures declined \$4 billion in the same period.

CELEBRATE MOTHER BLOOR'S 87th BIRTHDAY

but hasn't gotten any repairs since she moved in four years ago.

SUNDAY, JULY

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GAMES **SPORTS EVENTS** DANCING **FULL PROGRAM** ENTERTAINMENT

FOODS OF ALL **NATIONALITIES**

are urged to organize transportstion for their members now

WORKERS' CORRESPONDENCE

Westinghouse Vets Act on Layoffs

By a Vet at Westinghouse Airbrake

I'm a vet working at the Westinghouse Airbrake plant in Wilmerding, near Pitts-burgh. We produce brakes and signal equipment for railroads in the U. S. and throughout the world. IN THE LAST SIX WEEKS 1500 MEN HAVE BEEN LAID OFF AT OUR PLANT OUT OF A TOTAL

FORCE OF 7,000. Furthermore, the news going the rounds is that greater layoffs are

expected in the near future. Our union, Local 610, CIO Electrical Workers, just concluded a new contract with the company which won many important gains for our members. But if these layoffs continue, the contract won't mean too much because there will be a condition where the vast majority of workers will be out on the street.

The veterans are the first ones affected by these layoffs. Almost 40 percent of the 1,500 men laid off are veterans. Now that they are faced with no jobs the vets are finding that the 52-20 previsions of the GI Bill are due to end in

July. When the company began to announce these huge layoffs a meeting was called of the veterans affected during our lunch hour. Over 150 veterans showed up. We unanimously endorsed the Marcantonio Bill to extend and improve 52-20 and each of us signed a petition to that effect.

This petition was submitted to our local's executive board which circulation. approved our action and is now working out a campaign of petitions through out the shop, delegations to go to Washington and other activities in the community to win support for extension of **52-20.**

We veterans want and expect all labor unions will assist us in created by unemployment.



THE BULLETIN."

In Pittsburgh, 3,500 additional copies of this issue of the Pennsylvania Worker are being distributed to steel, electrical and other workers. All over the state a drive is on to build this paper's

Here's the pitch in Eastern Pennsylvania: The Pennsylvania Worker is out to collect by June 24, 300 subs, new or renewed, and 150 subs to the Daily Worker.

Nearly everybody can get a free meal in Philadelphia at a party sponsored by The Pennsylvania Worker, 2014 N. 32nd St., Saturday, June 24. Present at the door three paid subs, new or renewed, to The Pennsylvania Worker, or one paid yearly sub to the Daily Worker, or two paid three-month subs to the Daily Worker. "Nearly everybody" is expected.

this struggle to meet the problems This is no answer to the prob- Congress enact a program to meet lem. All it would do is permit the the problems of unemployment. I have heard about some plants companies to do a job on the vetthere veterans get laid off and erans, on the women, and all the ball and give leadership and took the place of a program of militant action. The only speakers they turn around and demand that workers. It would divide our ranks assistance to all vets, we will be to hit the floor to point up these burning issues were the left-wing all women, regardless of seniority, and get us fighting one another in danger of getting many more and progressives. be laid off first so they can keep instead of our uniting to fight the repetitions of incidents such as the company as well as to demand that one I described above.

Calls for Action on West'house Foundry Layoffs, Speedup

By a Trafford Foundry Worker

Of all the divisions in the Westinghouse plant in East Pittsburgh, the Trafford foundry has been hit the hardest by mass layoffs. In the last six months almost 40 percent of the 1200 men working there have been laid off. In my own group six months ago there were 43 men working three

and we work week-about.

The same holds true for the entire foundry with some men working only two days a week, which makes it impossible to make ends trical Workers, fought this griev- meeting it was voted by an overmeet when pay day comes around. ance out and licked the company whelming majority to cancel the

inghouse Co. is doing everything on the wheelabarator. in its power to cut down the number of jobs by speedup and effi-

ployment. castings after they are taken out chines. of the shakeout. This wheelabaone at each end of the conveyor dromats on one molding machine. and one man in the middle. Recently the company tried to eliminate one man and get the other two to do the work of three.

One of the men asked if the

Protest Milk Hike

HARRISBURG.-Protes against a one-cent milk price increase now scheduled for July 1 will be held by the State Milk foundry to get the union to agree when new furnaces were installed. Control Commission in Philadel- that the ceilings for layoffs be The stoppage was in the electric phia, June 2; Allentown, June 1; Lancaster, June 3; Reading, June

shifts. Now there are 12 men left company expected him to put on cussion on it by the membership. trying to do the work of two men. ing to act on this matter.

with a new one. We have mold- years. ciency and create more unem- ing presses which are used to cast We have a machine known as are weights that are used to bal- would agree to a program that wheelabarator which cleans ance the bottom of wasring ma-

Formerly one molding press did rator runs on a conveyor belt and two laundromats. Now the comit takes three men to operate it- pany is starting to put three laun-

> This means a man will put out one-third more work, which will result in less jobs and more lay-

At the same time the company Strike for 5 Days will not increase the rates being paid these men doing more work -unless the union puts up a vigor- workers at the Crucible Steel Co.'s ous fight for them.

raised from six to seven years, furnace department and idled

They almost got away with it. about 40 more workers. The com-8; York, June 9; Harrisburg, June of our local agreed to the request by negotiation with the CIO United

roller skates so that he could run As a result, the members circuup and down the conveyor belt lated a petition for a special meet-

The union, Local 601, CIO Elec- At this special membership Despite this situation the West- cold. There are still three men seven-year agreement and instruct the executive board to renegotiate Now the company has come up this question on the basis of six

> I believe that the majority of laundromats. These laundromats men in the Trafford foundry would share the work in a plant on the basis of a 36 or 32-hour shorter work week without reduc- of the Fur and Leather Workers. tion in pay, for higher wages and strong resistance to all company speedup plans and cuts in our time values and classifications.

27 Crucible Workers

MIDLAND. - Twenty - seven plant here struck for five days over The Westinghouse Co. tried to the company's attempt to cut fur-

For 'Good Housekeeping'

By a Bethlehem Steel Worker

Bethlehem Steel Co. is putting over a new speedup scheme in its plant here in the name of "good housekeeping." Workers are being asked to clean up around their machines or in their area where laborers their jobs. Since they work on

keep them moving every minute last check. of the day. Within the past month this "good housekeeping" the idea that speedup must be

work up to the last minute on no better.

Steelworkers used to enjoy a contract, it means either trying to much-needed breather for a few find a rate man to check out their minutes between jobs. Now the jobs after the shift is over, or to company gives them brooms to lose pay for all work since the

form of speedup has hit the rolling accepted by steelworkers because mills, No. 2 and No. 4 Open of growing unemployment and to Hearths and the steel foundry. the uncertain outlook of the steel Within this same period roll industry. But steelworkers in a grinders have had their usual number of departments are relunch period cut. Chippers and sisting speedup and in the name scarfers in DEY were ordered to of "good housekeeping" it smells

CIO Confab Leaves Basic Issues Unsettled

The leadership of last week's CIO State Convention failed completely to develop a fighting program of militant action to meet the needs of the 630,000 workers the 902 delegates represented.

A proposal from the floor for an eight-hour stoppage to defeat the Taft-Hartley Act met with applause but was ignored in favor of an innocuous and purely formal anti-T-H resolution by the leadership headed by Harry Boyer, president, and Harry Block, secretarytreasurer.

On wage increases, speedup and the growing spectre of unem-

A WARNING FROM a progressive Pittsburgh Negro delegate that lip-service without real action on discrimination was alienating the Negro people from the CIO, was met with demagogic praise for President Truman and Philip Murray from a right-wing Steelworker's staff representative.

No white delegate took the floor to point out that white workers will be unable to win any real advances unless they fight for equal job rights for Negroes and not leave this basic issue to formal

A plea to help organize 80,000 Pennsylvania unorganized textile workers came the same day the right-wing textile union leaders announced in New York a policy of no wage increases for their membership.

The national CIO policy of slavish adherence to the Truman administration's lip-service and sell-out on its election promises dominated the convention leadership and left many of the delegates apathetic and dissatisfied.

THE RIGHT-WING leadership was able to put over its program of support to the North Atlantic Pact, disaffiliation from World Federation of Trade Union, and acquiescence in raiding with its usual red-baiting hysteria.

However, the left-wing progressives took the floor in the face of hoodlum booing and fought on each of the basic issues. They warned that the suicidal policy of the CIO leadership in following the bipartisan war policy of the administration was paralyzing the wage, speedup and unemployment battles of the workers, and if not reversed, would lead the country to war. Speakers on these issues week, that would fight for a included David Davis and Hank Rhine of the UE, Ike Friedman

Goons circling the mike were unable to prevent one delegate, James Pacquay, of the Fur and Leather Workers, from bringing the trial of the 12 Communist leaders to the convention. He warned that if the persecution of the Communist Party was not stopped. the CIO would be next.

ONLY INSISTENCE from the floor put the convention on record against the Philadelphia fare increase and in support of the Ford strikers and the 2,00 locked-out SKF steel workers in Philadelphia.

The bankruptcy of the top state leadership leaves all basic problems unsettled and still to be fought for by Pennsylvania labor use this situation in the Trafford nace crews from three to two men to win peace and economic security.



Negroes Spearhead Fight For a Democratic South

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Four **Fighting Families**

An Editorial

FOUR FIGHTING TENANTS and the United Harlem Tenants and Consumers Council deserve community salute for their work since May .__

The four tenant families are, George and Muriel Armstead and their seven children; Joseph and Anna Nowlin, and their daughter Dolores, 20; Mrs. Carole Booker and her children Ronald, 7, and Georgette, 8; and the two sisters Dorothy and Daisy Baptist.

BURNED OUT of their homes in a condemned building at 437 W. 125 St. on May 1, they refused to be shoved into a Jimcrow Department of Welfare flophouse. They bunked, instead, in the basement receration rom of the East River Houses. Impatient at the failure of city agencies to do something about their plight, they moved back into the gutted shell from which the flames had chased

As members of the Harlem Tenants and Consumers Council they made the rounds with Miss Adele Adams, Council secretary of every agency authorized to help them.

By fighting they drew the attention of Bill Leonard, whose program, "This Is New York," is broadcast daily over CBS. For three days this week Leonard presented their case to New Yorkers.

Last Thursday the Armstead family, last to find suitable shelter, was moved into a Brooklyn apartment at 2288 Dean St. City agencies had housed the others earlier.

Faced with official run-around and efforts to evict them, they stuck to their guns.

To these families and those who aided them, including the Brooklyn building superintendent and real estate agent who finally offered them their new home, should go a salute from the community. Publicly, Harlem should recognize the fighting spirit of these families and their stubborn will to overcome every Jimcrow trick and ruse and thus keep their homes together.

But while the Armsteads earned \$7,000 a year and as Americans should have been eligible for housing ANYWHERE in the city-they were barred, espite meancies, from Stuy-esant Town and other "restrict-d" developments.

In a large sease the Harlem Tenants and Consumer Council -backed by the spirit of the tenants it represents has done a community service of note. We need to spread the leasons of the month-long Battle of the Chetto.

By Ann Rivington

driven to sweatshops.

Relief applicants and clients told the Harlem Worker driven by Hilliard to \$22-a-week messenger jobs. this week how they had been auctioned off at the three Harlem Welfare offices for wages listed below. If they Workers Local 65 reports that the starting minimum for refused jobs at sub-standard, they were barred from relief.

Factory floorboys-\$25 a week.

Sewing machine operators—60 cents an hour.

Hand embroiderers-60 cents an hour.

Messenger boys, with some high school education-55 cents an hour.

Sales Clerks-\$24 a week.

Girl packers-55 cents an hour.

Girls to paint lamp bases-65 cents an hour.

A survey by the Worker revealed that the union wage for the jobs offered by Hilliard's department in Harlem was at least one-third higher.

working on accessories is \$38. Hilliard's accepted rate is sentative Bogart at the U. S. Employment Service, 225 W. the scale is even higher.

Union minimum starting wages for messengers in com-Under the lash of Welfare Commissioner Hilliard's mercial concerns runs to \$34 weekly. Newspaper copy hard-boiled labor policy, Harlem relief clients are being boys start at a little lower, but are guaranteed automa e raises at short intervals. Harlem relief applicants are

> The Independent Wholesale, Retail and Warehouse salesgirls in small stores is \$35 per week. Hilliard is using the unemployed backlog in Harlem to whack this modest minimum down to \$24.

> A typical victim of the Hilliard "plan" is Miss Lois Colman, 311 E. 102 St., who was sent to a job four weeks ago by the Occupations Department of the 68 St. relief office.

> "Give her just anything, so she won't have to be put on relief," was the request of the social worker, Miss Colman

"And he sure did just that," she commented.

Miss Colman, who is 26, neat, attractive, ambitious, skilled, with a pleasant personality and two years of high The union scale for a starting sewing machine aperator school training, was sent by Welfare Department reprejust \$14 below union standard. For operators on garments 34 St., to the Tam Embroidery Co., 34 W. 32 St. She was (Continued on Page 2)



MRS. MURIEL ARMSTEAD restrains a feeling of joy as she takes rent receipt from Walter C. Hilzinger, Jr., Brooklyn realtor, as her husband, George, seated at her right, looks on. The Armsteads and their seven children along with three other families were burned out of a condemned house at 437 W. 125 St. on May 1. After a futile search all of them returned to the fire gutted house where they "squatted" until boused. Other families were housed by

city agencies. The Armsteads had a combined income of \$140. weekly-too high for city-owned projects. As a result of publicity over Columbia Broadcasting System and through the pages of The Worker, case was brought to the attention of the city. Hilzinger responded. Martin Weldon, CBS reporter, stands at extreme right. (See editorial on this page.)

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Demands Pour in to Prevent Negro's Return to Chain Gang

New Yorkers are bombarding Acting Governor Joe R. Hanley with letters, phone calls and telegrams urging him not to extradite James Wilson, 29-year-old escaped prisoner, to certain death in South Carolina. Wilson is being held pending Hanley's action after

Defends KKK Union Raid

Speaking this week before a FEPC legislation, Willard Townsend, only Negro member of the CIO executive committee, supported a Klan attack upon a sister

Townsend, who is also president of the CIO United Transport Serv- ley in Albany to prevent the extraice Employes Union, utilized the dition. hearing to belittle the CIO Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union, whose leader. Maurice Travis was the victim of a Klan bealing administered recently by adherents of CIO president Philip Murray. Travis lost the use of one eye as a result of the beating. The Birmingham local of Travis' union has for three years are on his ankles. a large Negro membership and has been under fire for some time because of its program in behalf of Negro rights in the Southern center of steel and white supremacy.

Reid Robinson, a Mine-Mill leader, answered Townsend at the hearing, reciting his union's stand against racial prejudice and accusing officials of the steel workers in Birmingham of acting in KKK Georgia Appeals style.

Thomas Harris, assistant CIO general counsel, demanded that Robinson's testimony be stricken from the record. He said the CIO board denied it. Robinson retorted that his story was true, that the board had not investigated. "Mr. Harris is the liar," he added. him.

tional expenditures.

Bronx county Judge Henri Schwob® stated in court that "if I were gov- SHE'S THE QUEEN ernor I wouldn't sign the papers to send him back."

Wilson was arrested in the Bronx on May 7, two months after his escape from a Sumter County chain gang where he had served Senate Committee hearing on seven and a half years of a life sentence.

> The Wilson case has stirred religious leaders and the Civil Rights Congress, who are urging every church, labor and community organization to write and wire Han-

William Patterson, executive secretary of the CRC, this week wrote Hanley asking permission to appear in Wilson's defense.

"James Wilson is the father of three children;" Patterson wrote. "The marks of the chains he wore The marks of daily beatings scar his back. His sleeping quarters have been a prison cage. Wilson was convicted in a self-defense killings."

Patterson urged Hanley not to send Wilson back "to the lynchers' noose or the living death" of a chain gang.

Extradition Ban

ATLANTA.-Attorney General Eugene Cook of Georgia said this week that he personally would conduct the fight to wrest Leon Johnson, escaped chain gang pris-oner, from Pennsylvania authorities who have refused to extradite

Johnson, who escaped in 1943, Japan Students Strike has been held for six years pending decision on his case. In a TOKYO (ALN).-College stu- 5-1 decision, this week, the Penndents in all parts of Japan are sylvania Court of Appeads voted striking against new laws pro- to free him, on evidence of "reviding for summary dismissal of volting barbarities." Johnson's atteachers who go on strike for better wages and cutting of educa- U. S. Supreme Court would accept Cook's appeal.

CALL FOR WEEK OF PRAYER

Archbishop Pearce Johnson of men. Six, beginning Sunday. Responding orary chairmen of the committee. The Southern contributor is board which continues him in of-list 3,258 clients as "employa-

the Spiritualist Church, and Arch- The crusade to free the framed A contribution to Ben Davis' thwarts all democratic efforts to formerly No. 26, on W. 124 St., bishop William Ernest, of the men has also been joined by campaign for reelection came this obtain representative direction of and at the East End office on African Orthodox Catholic Church, Bishop R. W. Lawson, of the week from a Negro woman in the union's affairs. yesterday asked all their congrega- Refuge Temple, and Rev. John W. Savannah, Ga., whose son was Ferman has, furthermore, de- the largest in the city. The three tions in Harlem to observe a Saunders, pastor of the Convent killed by white supremacists in nied jobs to his opponents and Harlem offices, including these Week of Prayer for the Trenton Ave. Baptist Church, who are hon- 1948.

to save the lives of these innocent pieces of literature on the case. sending \$2 for your campaign."



Looks like the smile is wearing the girl in this picture of Ruby Richards of the Cotton Club, crowned "Queen of Clubs" this week at a ball for the benefit of the Northside Center for Child Development. And who wouldn't smile, after winning a round trip to the Virgin Islands and other prizes? This "Queen of Clubs" could well be a "Queen of Hearts," eh, fellas? Photo by Wally

Son Lynched, She Backs Davis

to the call of the Harlem Commit- With headquarters in the Ther- Mrs. Ophelia McNeill, 543 Minnie fice, and his policies in effect. bles," and hound them to take tee to Free the Trenton Six, these esa Hotel the committee, whose St., Savannah, Ca. In her letter The result is that membership sub-standard jobs. Many are too churchmen urged "the ministers of executive secretary is Elizabeth she wrote: "Knowing you and has dropped, and the union has old or too sick to hold the jobs to all faiths to join in a mighty effort Kline, has distributed over 3,000 your party fight for freedom, I am abandoned the mass struggle for which they are driven.

U. S. DISCOVERS AFRICA

Africa was "discovered" this week. The "explorers" were American investors, whose "pioneer" spirit, somewhat dampened by China's fall from imperialist grace, was revived again when the so-called Dark Continent brightened the investment horizon.

But while interest in African financial adventure was sharp, the story told by the adventurers was the same dull piece we've heard so many times before.

For example, the Liberia Co., headed by Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., former American Secretary of State, has begun to pioneer the development of natural resources in the Negro republic with American capital and business 'know-how'," according to the New York

"Far from exploiting the country for profits only," says the Times, "the corporation aims at providing for the health and training of the Liberians involved, and for a general education program."

This seems like a wise plan. A healthy worker can work longer, a trained worker can work faster and an educated worker can work better. Then Stettinius won't have to work at all.

New slogan for Liberian workers: "Early to bed and early to rise, makes Americans wealthy guys."

P.S. Washington reports that Homer M. Adams, Illinois politician and business associate of Edward R. Stettinius had obtained a \$300,000-a-year contract to maintain Roberts Airfield, in Liberia, were confirmed this week. Adams secured the contract last year despite the fact that he had not a single airplane or piece of major air equipment. The contract comes up for practically automatic renewal en June 30.

Letters to the Editor:

Members Continue Fight to Rebuild Harlem Labor Union

Harlem Edition, The Worker Dear Sir:

influential factor in the economic should be. life of Harlem. It is now a oneman dietatorship which no longer answers the community's needs in

As you know, the union was chartered in 1931, and had its staye Auction greatest period during the war when its membership reached 1,700. This included a hundred or more white members. It suc- hired as a floor girl at \$25 a ceeded in securing good jobs and to \$60 a week at shoe work and contracts for its members, and fine hand sewing. At the Tam there was wide and democratic Embroidery Co. she was the only participation of the membership in Negro, and the only relief client. union affairs, elections, picket SLAVE OR STARVE lines, and other functions.

and I feel duty bound to write you just what has taken place. Since the war, business manager made Harlem into its biggest re-William E. Ferman has, through serve of slave labor for the sweathis powers of interviewing and shops. Lists of "employables" at hiring, built a machine which the St. Nicholas welfare office,

elected a sympathetic executive two and No. 32, on W. 139-St.,

workers' rights, adjustment of FIGHT SLAVE MARKET grievances, seniority rights, higher wages, shorter hours, housing, Ne-

Secretary M. Gandhi of the All-get jobs for them with union con-India Trade Union Congress was ditions and pay. Registration arrested here May 16 by police takes place every night from 7 Recent reports published by the standing farm leader, and was later as an actor at government expense.

National Council of American
elected to the Supreme Soviet of Color bars to admission are unheard Gandhi is charged with helping to 125 St.

Coordin Coordin USSR. organize demonstrations in support of 200 labor prisoners now in the second week of their hunger strike in Bombay jails.

The number of political and labor prisoners held without trial in India now exceeds 25,000. Among them are more than 3,000

tatorial hold on the union. I know many disgusted progressive members who have left the organiza-I feel compelled to write you tion. I also know many other proabout the sorry situation that ob- gressives, however, who are continuing the fight to make the Hartains now in the Harlem Labor lem Trade Union once more the Union. This union was once an fighting organization it was and

Sincerely,
A DEVOTED MEMBER.

the struggle for job opportunities. Bare Hilliara

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week. She is used to earning \$40

For the worker who asks too But now all this has changed many questions or refuses a job, there is the threat of starvationdenial of the relief pittance.

The Department of Welfare has E. 68 St., formerly No. 23, are

The Harlem Trade Union gro rights and other community is- Council, The Worker learned, has started a campaign to combat Ferman has consistently refused Hilliard's attempt to turn this community into a slave market. Thursday, the council began registering the unemployed from BOMBAY (ALN).-General its affiliated unions, with plans to

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Negroes Really Live in Georgia, USSR

USSR, not Georgia, USA.

Soviet Friendship reveal that Ne- Georgia. On his death last year, of in Georgia, USSR. groes in Soviet Georgia enjoy full the entire countryside mourned rights of citizenship and freedom him. adn cultural life.

Life can be beautiful for a Ne- TAKE THE SHIRIN family for village hospital. Her constant com-

to participate on every level of the Shaaben's brother, Abash, now nation's economic, political, social head of the family, expressed Most of Soviet Georgia's Ne- amazement in a recent interview, farmers and automobile designersgroes are descendants of refugees that there are still countries where and on a basis of complete equalfrom Turkish tyranny who found security among the Georgian peasants after the Tsarist government had driven them from Russian towns. Since the socialist revolution most of them have become members of collective falms. The socialist revolution to collective falms and issued working in the look patients of collective falms. The socialist revolution to collective falms and issued working in the look patients of collective falms.

gro in Georgia-that is, Georgia, instance. Shaaben Shirin fought in panions are the children of the lo- Jail India Unionists SSR, not Georgia, USA.

a guerilla detachment in 1918 in cal collective farm manager, and defense of the new Soviet land. the head of a collective farm team. southland, but there the resem- When victory was won, he re- Abash's nephew has just entered blance to America's Georgia ends. ceived a farm. He became an out- a school where he will be trained Recent reports published by the standing farm leader, and was later as an actor at government expense.

> OTHER CHILDREN in the Shirin family are studying at government schools to be doctors,

WORKER Sports

YANKS START

They were sorry for poor old Casey Stengel when he started the American League season with a team rated on the downhill path even IF the peerless Joe DiMaggio were in there. Without the unfortunate Frisco slugger it looked like the end and many were the stories written about the crum-PCL batting leader who has more of the stuff that labelled him

the Yanks atop the league, and the league, including the favored Red Sox and Indians, are beginning to take the Yanks very very seriously! agers (though nobody can find basis, so material that the team may pick up momentum on it and fool a lot of people, including Messrs. Veeck and Yawkey.

bellwethered by big Vic Raschi, one little hitch, failure against the Bosox, and may become the league's top man. Nobody has been getting the kind of hurling tured Byrnes, Lopat and Porterfield. Sanford, the "\$100,000 bust" for a while, has shown signs of delphia third sacker, "I watched me plenty just the same."

swinging into line and if he does, Kell. Hes my idea of a great third Jones, A 23-year-old rookie from look out.

A combination of surprising rookies and surprising holdovers is grade at first base, Dick Coleman, a Newark grad who filled in for Stirnweiss, hit much harder than

The improved holdovers: Larry years ago. . Berra, catcher who has been Phil Rizzuto is still Phil Rizzuto Of course, it's not Stengel's doing. bum fielding rap with increasing to help fill the DiMaggio gap. efficiency around third now that It's early in the year, but Sten-Cliff Mapes, filling the big center- to collapse. field gap, is showing more and They just may not do it!

But here it is nearly June with weighed in with some big hits. | a batting terror at Kansas City two

helped immeasurably by the tutor- and Tommy Henrich is still Toming of Bill Dickey, and Bobby my Henrich, only a little more sol Brown, who is living down the Old Reliable has really come up

he knows he's settled down. He gel will remain happy just as long fault with Casey to date). The always could hit and still does. as everybody waits for the Yanks

Messrs. Veeck and Yawkey. It's composed of what is today the best pitching staff in the game, Messrs. Veeck and Yawkey. Messrs

a real ace who has overcome his Phils' "Puddin' Head," Crack Rookie, Says He Owes Lots to Detroit's Kell

George Kell of Detroit doesn't know it, but if Willie featured by Vic, the suddenly ma- (Puddin' Head) Jones of the Phillies develops into a topflight third baseman it'll be his fault. "Every time I had a chance," says the youthful Phila-

baseman.

doing the rest of it. The first named exhibition games this spring. He "a fellow who loves to play ball." are Dick Kryhoski, making the showed me how to get in front of "Willie's the kind of guy who can the ball and how to throw from not get enough baseball," Sawyer different positions. He didn't added. "He's got a good pair of George and gradually learned the know I was watching him and I hands, a strong arm and a desire new position, and Gene Woodling, never spoke to him but he helped to improve. "In a few years, it's

Laurel Hill, N. C., is described by "I watched him real close in the Phillie manager Eddie Sawyer as my opinion that he'll be one of the best infielders in the game."

> Jones put in most of the 1948 season with Toronto of the International League where he batted

> He played in 17 games with the Phillies during the tail-end of the 48 campaign and before the start of the 1949 spring training season, Sawyer announced, "the only player sure of a job with the Phillies is Jones."

How did Jones feel about Saw yer's vote of confidence?

"It didn't bother me too much," he declared. "I just decided would have to work that much harder."

And work harder he did. During the first week of the campaign, Puddin' Head came to bat four times in one contest and connected for four straight doubles to tie a major league record.

"Funny thing about those doubles," mused Jones, "I never knew I was tieing any record or any-thing like that. I was only swingin' to get on base. They told me about the record after the game.'

Jones is the kind of ball player who plods along, playing the game instinctively without burdening himself too much with the fine points of strategy. He sums up his feelings in the matter when he

"I like playing third base be-cause you don't have to think too much. The ball is on you in a second and you either do or you don't."

Most of the time, however, he About the nickname Puddin'

Head, Jones says: "Got that name from Mark Twain's book. Remember Puddin' Head, the easy-goin feller who

On the Score Board



By Lester Rodney

Strikeout Kings Wanted

WHERE OH WHERE are the strikeout kings of yesteryear? A look at the current pitching performances reveals a slacking off in this department. Since Bob Feller set his 348 mark in 1946 and then charged his style, nobody else has come along with a real strikeout record. Last year, despite his shakiness for a long period, Bob still led the AL with 164, a far cry from his record. Brecheen of the Cards led the National with 149, but isn't hitting a fast strikeout pace this year.

Hal Newhouser has been averaging about five per game, which will probably win him the AL title but not come close to any marks. Brooklyn's Ralph Branca is hitting about the same pace. Actually, both are apt to stress strikeouts less rather than more in time to come. There is no little suspicion about Feller's concentration on whiffing in 1946 contributed to the losing of some of his speed and elasticity. It will be recalled that Bob himself announced after that tremendous feat that he would now concentrate on control and winning games instead, so he may have suspected that it did him no good to try blowing 'em all down.

Easter and the "Free Press"

LUKE EASTER, the tremendous rookie slugger playing for Cleveland's San Diego farm in the Pacific Coast League, is hot about the way certain Coast writers are misquoting him and trying to present him in the usual Negro stereotype. They take contemptuous liberties with him they never dare with white players. So Easter discovered a scurrilous piece in the sheet called Pacific Coast League Baseball Magazine filled with Stepin Fetchit dialect. The whole thing was sheer fabrication, the writer never having interviewed Easter at all. Freedom of the press, you know. Blazing mad, Easter set about discovering who did the piece, so he could tell him off properly.

At San Francisco, he told a reporter of the "Peoples World," progressive West Coast daily, "Most of the reporters are honest and report what they hear and see. But there have been some in every city who put words in my mouth that I have never said. These reporters try to pretend that I don't know how to speak, that I am

a man who has had no schooling.

"Each day I read in the papers some words I have never spoken, written in an ignorant accent. They're just nonsense words they make up and then pretend that I said them. If they can't report honestly I wish they'd leave me alone. Why don't they judge me on the number of hits, runs batted in and home runs - in other words, why can't they treat me as a baseball player?"

Easter went on with emphasis, "I am one of my people. I respect my people. I want to behave in such a way that they li never be ashamed of me. But what are they going to think when the reporters write that I've got a swelled head? What respect will people have for me when reporters tell them that I'm a showboat or a blowhard? I'm not that way and anybody who knows me could have told the newspapers the truth."

There's a Reason

THEY CAN'T TREAT you as just a baseball player, Luke Easter, because they are prostitutes of the typewriter and their big money newspaper bosses are an important part of the never ceasing propaganda machine which pumps its big lie poison of white supremacy into its readers every day of the week in one form or another. They use not only the newspapers but the movies, radio, television, comic books and even the schoolbooks. Monopoly capitalism, which owns and runs for the profit of a few our whole great and beautiful and productive country, has to keep the people divided, has to conduct a special oppression of the fifteen million Negro Americans above all, and believe me, as long as they get away with it we all suffer from the insanity of depressions in the midst of plenty and war hysteria in the midst of the overwhelming desire for peace.

If this is "politics" in a sports column, it's the only way such a sports question can be honestly be answered. Speaking of the socalled "free press," the prominent Negro spokesman, Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, speaking at a peace rally at Madison Square Garden recently, said, "I'm beginning to ask myself why I should believe the same newspapers which have lied about my people for three hundred years, when they write about the Soviet Union, the countries of Eastern Europe and the 'iron curtain'."

Louis Found Out

JOE LOUIS became familiar with some of these newspaper techniques. An average, normal guy, he was forced to read about himself as a "sullen tiger" and things like that. It's interesting to recall how some of the more vicious columnists built him up as a "superman" after he became champ, a flawless savage fighting machine without weaknesses. What they were doing, of course, was trying to de-humanize Louis, the only resort left to white supremacists when facing someone of Joe's caliber.

Louis himself knew this was nonsense, that there were no supermen in or out of the prize rings, just human beings. He always felt, and expressed, respect for the possibilities of his opponents.

And lo and behold, when he failed to knock out his opponent in a hurry, just continued to be a great fighting champion by winning again, the "very writers" who had created the superman myth now turned on him sneering that he was "overrated, dull witted," etc. And even after Louis had retired and gone into the promo-

tional field, when you'd think it was all over, he found the same thing all over again in a "press interview" that was turned into a sneering inquisition.

These white superiority guys can't treat Luke Easter as just another ballplayer, or Joe Louis on his merits as a fighter. They are didn't get in anybody's way?

always keenly sensitive to the Negro question in this progressive. Well," Willie gripped, "that's of ours, something that hasn't always been true of white progressives, imfortunately, in the recent past.

NEW PHYSIQUE PHENOM

OUT OF NO-WHERE in the national body building field came Melvin Wells, a 30-yearold Ford worker from Buffalo, to. place second in the AAU championship at Cleveland last week in the Mr. America competition. He won top honors for arm and development and most muscle divisions. A veteran of 30 months in the Army and 14 months overseas, Wells developed an interest in weight lifting and physique and applied himself in his spare time. A member of Local 425, UAW, Wells won the New York State contest, and in the magazine Your Physique it is. stated with some little specialization he should become the best built of all time. In unofficial weightlifting, he has already come close to the world record. Wells was an all-round high school star, and won the Buffalo singles title in



rive Negro Dockers Off City

A Jimcrow conspiracy organized by "King" Joseph P. Ryan and other officials of the International Longshoremen's Association is driving Negro dockers off the piers. In recent weeks, more than a thousand have been forced to hang up their longshoreman's hooks for good.

AN EMPTY AWARD

almost succeeded. Police ran the

to Commissioner of Investigation

discuss the matter. As far as the

Mayor is concerned, that ended it.

The fight of Local 968 is be-

stranglehold of "King" Ryan on

Local 968 is asking for help

Davis Bill to Aid **Dockers** Ignored

A resolution introduced by from 1,500 to 700—and of these Councilman Benjamin Davis more only 84 are in gangs which find than two months ago calling for regular work. Thousands of Neintervention by Mayor O'Dwyer to gro longshoremen are unem-protect the jobs and security of ployed and near starvation. members of Local 968 of the In- However, they are fighting were killed, in automobile acciternational Longshoremen's Asso-back with an ever-increasing num-dents within the last month, a ciation, this week was still rotting ber of white allies. Since March traffic safety conference of East in committee as ILA officials 10 they have blanketed Ryan's Harlem organizations and commoved to sweep Negro dockers off headquarters with a picket line munity leaders unanimously sup-

unless the Mayor acted at once to for Negro dockers. At a recent quate police protection and the halt discrimination against Negro meeting, more than 800 white closing of school streets during dockers, "full responsibility for longshoremen cheered Local 968's recess periods. conflict and anti-Negro lawlessness fight, and helped to man the Laying plans for a petition drive will rest squarely on your admin- picket line. istration."

Hits U.S. Doubletalk

NEW HAVEN, Conn. — Continuing her answer to critics of her famous husband's anti-war asout Local 968, after Ryan had program in all public schools. sertions, Mrs. Eslanda G. Robeson told an audience here last week that "I have my own ideas and docks."

Supporting the conference were the too many Negroes working on the Rev. Donald Benedict of East Harconvictions about American law and freedom and loyalty.'

son declared, must live in a "for- back-and is fighting back-with Lane, chairman of East Harlem est of double talk" about equality every weapon at hand. It won Council for Community Planning; and Christianity "yet my people one case brought before the state Mrs. Geraldine Christian, repremay not live, work, study, eat, FEPC, but while the dismissed sentative of the Women's Divi-

speakers on Henry Wallace's three-up" at Pier 11, Brooklyn, on week traveling forum on foreign March 9 with their demands for policy and peace.

What Human Rights? to incite white workers to riot and

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, chair- Negro longshoremen off the pier. Rights all over the world. This week she said she had done all John J. Murtagh, who met with she could do for human rights in Ryan and elicited a "promise" to Trenton, N. J.

This was her answer to members of the Civil Rights Congress A FIGHT FOR ALL who had asked her to bring the infamous case of the "Trenton Six" coming the fight of all longshore- organized the dance. Billy Rowe in the interests of those who have leaders. before the United Nations.

"I have asked influential friends distribution of jobs. to bring the matter to the attention of the Governor," she added. with its picket line, and for food "There are no other steps I can and funds to keep the struggle sizing work among youth groups,

Since the end of the war, membership in ILA's Local 968, predominantly Negro, has dropped

Protesting against the injury of six school children, two of whom which is winning support for their ported Councilman Benjamin Davis' resolution warned that drive to obtain and secure jobs Davis' resolution calling for ade-

> and mass delegations to public Since V-J Day, Ryan and the officials, the conference further shippers have joined in an effort demanded the enforcement of to keep Negroes off the docks. In speed regulations on school and Brooklyn, Gus Scanavino, ILA play streets, proper street mark-

lem Protestant Episcopal Parish; Father Palinas of Our Lady Negroes in America, Mrs. Robe- Local 968, however, fought Queen of Angels Church; William worship, travel or play side by side workers won an award they are sion of the Marcantonio Political side with their white brothers."

Mrs. Robeson was one of the members of 968 stopped a "shape-

Benefit Dance Nets an equal chance to work. Ryan 100 Kids a Vacation and Scanavino agents attempted

The Block Councils of New York Urban League held their May Festival Dance at the Palladium Ballroom, Broadway at 53 man of the United Nations Hu- A citizens' committee headed St., May 20, for the benefit of the man Rights Commission, has done by Judge Myles Paige asked the East Harlem Community. Donaroceeds of the dance will provide 100 or more young people with a vacation this summer.

> Mrs. Herminia Lopez of 10 W. 112 St., Mrs. Jessie B. Coleman and Dillon Skinner, both of 5 W. 112 St., working with Morris statement that "it is unthinkable" Eisenstein of the Urban League, for the Negro people to go to war cussion with African peoples was master of ceremonies and oppressed us for generations. men who want to break the music was donated by Noro Morales, Jose Curbelo, Machito and others.

> > The Block Councils, emphais an inter-racial organization in East Harlem formed originally to solve community housing prob-

Union Aids Ingrams

The Domestic Workers Union Local 149, sponsored a benefit dinner for the Ingram Family a their headlquarters at 103 W. 110 ENSIGN WESLEY A. BROWN, St., May 21. Mrs. Maude White

Philip and Allan V, Clarke, Entertainment was provided by Ruby MAYOR O'DWYER entertained Orange, African danseuse, Jane who also attended the Conference.

By 'Vigilans'

I am devoting this space today to extracts of an open letter to President Truman written by my brother African, Semakula Mulumba, now exiled in London, is the representative of the Bataka (Elders of the People) in Uganda, East Africa, where British authorities in the past month have been waging a campaign of terrorization against the people's freedom movement in that colony.

THE LETTER, dated March 28, which is too long to quote in full, follows: "President Truman,

"You and your government, and the American people, must know that we Africans, as well as all peoples in the NON-SELF-GOVERNING TERRI-TORIES, living under the horrors of IMPERIALISM, DO NOT WANT WAR, and WILL NOT GO TO WAR, against peoples who liberated themselves from IMPERIALISM AND FASCISM.

"What did we fight and die for in the FIRST AND SEC-OND WORLD WARS? FREE-DOM? We are deliberately kept in political, economic, and social slavery. PROGRESS? Our progress is retarded by the policies of the Colonial Powers. PROSPERITY? We live in perpetual imposed squalor and privation. SELF-DETERMINA-TION? We are dominated by

foreigners, who usurped our political powers in our own countries.

"WE AFRICANS have nothing of value TO DEFEND except our own lives. Although we are deprived of all Western Values and DEMOCRATIC RICHTS, which you say you mean to DEFEND, WE WILL NOT LET YOU DEPRIVE US OF OUR OWN LIVES.

"The U.S. Government and the American people are forgetting that they, at one time, like us today; were living under the yoke of a colonial power. What substantial difference is there between the present American foreign policy and that of the colonial power that once ruled over America?

"FOR CONSTRUCTION RATHER THAN DESTRUC-TION, American capital and leadership could effect international good, BY STAMPING OUT COLONIALISM, which is the main cause of international jealousies, leading to war.

"Is it not a NEW SOCIAL ORDER rather than the power politics of the atomic bomb, that will maintain and raise the established standards of CIVILI-ZATION in the world?

"The silenced Africans know that they are the prey that the Western European Powers are stalking in the WILD JUNGLE OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC PACT."

ets Sign Petitions a lot of talking about human Mayor to intervene for Local 968. The Mayor referred the problem proceeds of the dance will provide Racking Robosom Stand

The 11th Assembly District section of the Communist Party this week circulated several thousand petitions throughout the community in support of Paul Robeson's

Response by veterans to the petitions was immediate, it was reported, and the group expects to have hundreds of signatures as this edition goes to press,

The signed petitions will be pre- Launched in Cuba sented to Robeson when he arrives in the United States on June 17, two days in advance of his ap-murdered in the past two years pearance at a giant rally for peace with government and army conand freedom slated for Rockland nivance, has launched an unprece-Palace Casino, 155th Street and

by veterans of World War II.

"We stand for Peace. · "We are opposed to a jimcrow Army and Navy.

· "We are opposed to the exporting of American ideas of race prejudice to the rest of the world · "We are for the freedom of the African colonies.

"For these reasons we suppor

Peace Conference in Paris, will appear at the rally with Dr. W. E. B DuBois, world famous historian Both men will report on their dis-

The 11th A. D. section urged Harlemites to be at the dock to greet Robeson on the day of his arrival. Time and place will be announced shortly.

U. S.-Style Stoolies

HAVANA (ALN).-Cuba, where several labor leaders have been dented witch-hunt against all progressive and opposition groups. A 8th Avenue at 3 p.m. on June 19. new Group for Suppression of The petitions, to be signed only Subversive Activities (GRAS). which will be part of the Cuban military establishment, has been given powers of investigation and

Article 26 of the charter authorizes GRAS to pry into the activities of unions, political parties, associations and private citizens through censorship of telephones, cables, telegraphs, mail and radio communications.

In reply to popular protests against these procedures as unconstitutional, Cuban authorities replied that they are "something like the FBI" which is constitutional in the U.S.

Heil, Malan!

CAPETOWN. - Fascism in South Africa tightened its stranglehold on the country's political life as final returns in run-off elections this week revealed a majority in both Houses of Parliament for Premier Daniel F. Malan's Na tionalist Party. Malan conducted his campaign on a program of discrimination and segregation vainst the black majority.

. Not So Funny

going.

sue. Dean Acheson, Wall Street's are 18. atombomb version of the modern liberator, is now in Paris demanding Civil Rights-for the Germans first Negro graduate of Annapolis, Katz, executive secretary of the it be that Wall Street has despaired is being hailed as a future admiral, National Committee to Free the U.S.A. and is seeking a fresh start high academic standing. We the issues in this case of southin Germany?

by Brooklyn Cops, and Samuel though, we say Ben Davis for Mr. Braithwaite of the BraithSymonette, beaten last year by President. That would be a two
While we are on the subject, though, we say Ben Davis for Mr. Braithwaite of the Braithing contributor to the recent World waite School, Mr. and Mrs. Cyril four Harlem detectives with pistols and Pepsi-Cola bottles, will some. be much cheered by the Police Departments new "Stop, Look and

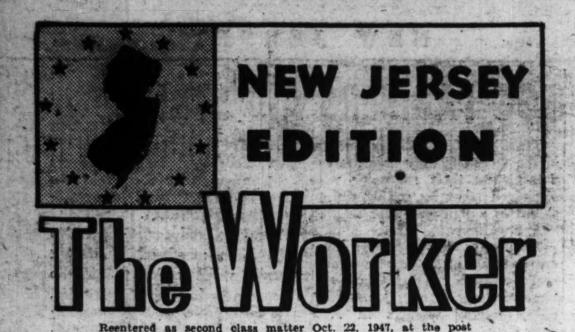
WE NOTICE THAT the Tru-national training school. Shucks, man administration has not given Mr. Schuck, you're way ahead of up the fight on Civil Rights. They the Communists on recruiting. The are making it an international is- Communists at least wait until they

of Navy jimcrow torture, and his more than 125 who attended on salute him. But knowing the ways ern "justice." DOZENS OF POLICE brutality and means of our capitalist Navy Among the guests were Adele we have our doubts concerning Adams of United Harlem Tenvictims of the last few years, in-Brown's rate of advancement. Adams of United Harlem Ten-cluding William Milton, murdered While we are on the subject ants and Consumers Organization, Paul Robeson's statement."

Live" safety campaign. The rules, Brazilian Dictator Enrico Dutra O'Connel, singer, and others. clarified by this slogan, seem to this week in New York, while our be: Stopl when you see a uniform, old friend George Schuyler, on Look! to see if it's blue and has exchange in Rio de Janeiro, rebrass buttons, and then run if you ported on a conference to fight jimcrow in Brazil. Schuyler writes that there's lots of color line CHIEF SCOUT Arthur Schuck trouble in Brazil. Dutra tells us claimed to have discovered this that Brazil is all right, but hasn't week (with the help of the FBI said much about the U.S. so far. short pants division) a Communist We might get the Western Hemis-"working his way" into the Boy phere lowdown if Detra reported Scouts, by studying at the Scouts on the color line in the U.S.A.

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MEANS TO NEW JERSEY An Editorial

"SOLIDARITY FOREVER"-the old American union song-has taken on new meaning in the last three weeks.

All over New Jersey, working men and wom-en see the strike of 7,000 Singer workers as a struggle that affects their own lives. Like the Ford strike against speedup, it is a battle against the employers' depression offensive.

The Singer Corporation, like Henry Ford, is fronting for the NAM in a drive to beat American labor back to pre-New Deal depression standards. That is the corporations' cold-war program.

THEY SEE an economic bust coming. Under

their dog-eat-dog "free enterprise" system, it HAS to come. Their own super-profits have made it certainty. Boom-and-bust will be part and parcel of American life until the American workers themselves own the factories, and produce for their own good and the common good of the country instead of the private profit of a few

That is why "standards" is so important to Singer. In times of "boom," the corporation wants speedup to get super-profits with-out paying higher wages. In times of "bust," it wants to maintain its profits by getting more production . . . at lower wages . . . from fewer

of the workers and throw them out on the streets. When the workers fight back, it offers them red herrings instead of wages.

Big Business saw this fight coming. That is why, since the death of Franklin D. Roosevelt, it has been building up the fantastic red scare against labor . . . why 12 leaders of the Communist Party are today on trial for the crime of advocating a more abundant life for Americans . . . why a barrage of lies and an atomic war are aimed at the Socialist Soviet Union, where the workers don't have to worry about depressions any more because they run the country without the "help" of the bankers.

AMERICAN LABOR has one weapon in the battle Big Business has forced on it. It is the mightiest weapon of all-UNITY.

Right here in the streets of Elizabeth it is being shown in the picketlines of Negro and white: workers, side by side in the fight for victory. It is being shown in the support the strike is getting from the community and from workers all over the state.

The power of that unity must be felt not only by the Singer Corporation, but by the politicians—to compel state unemployment com-pensation and city relief for the Singer strikers, and to force the arrogant Singer management to settle quickly on the workers' just demands.

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Singer Women Spark Wide Strike Support

By Milly Salwen

ELIZABETH.-Down at Gate 4 of the Singer Mfg. Co., where UE strikers keep a daily march of protest against the company's refusal to pay an adequate wage increase for a grinding workday, you might run into a bright-eyed, 64-year-old woman wrapped in a worn black coat. I did.

Marching with small steps, quickened to keep pace with the other pickets, she looked up, tilted her head and told me:

"This union's a wonderful thing. Anybody walks out on us, he's crazy. We're going to win because we're sticking together. If we don't, the company will get us back in their iron claws again.

That was what she said; iron ought to know. She's felt them.

Maybe it was remembrance of strike to the whole county. the plant has been in Elizabeth.

When I started on the job, it · was 10 hours a day and at the end of the week I get \$4.86.

"When the war came, and they started hiring younger girls, they were going to put me out." And you felt the pride and strength when she said, "My union saved my job."

THAT was one woman speaking. But all through Elizabethport you feel the same strength and pride in the union, because there are 7,000 stories-for each of the men and women who are striking for decent pay and working condi-

United Electrical Radio and Ma- tee for a baby-sitting job. And now chine Worekrs (CIO) is operating the family's eager to join the other around the clock to win the minimum strike demands - a union voice in curbing speedup standards, seniority and a decent wage ting Committee. But it's only one increase, based on a 35-hour week at 40 hours' pay.

from the iron fence that bounds the motherly Singer worker who makes plant, just wasn't big enough to the union every day, all day. handle the strike traffic. So they There's the Children's Commit-

Walking through the union lemonade. tivity-feverish but organized-in sponsibility for running the strike manning the soup kitchen and the kitchen. Then, there's the Donamimeo machine, planning tag week tions Committee. Leaflet Distribuand picketline duty.

The workers, who have the of course, the picketing itself. whole town-butcher, doctor, It's a big job, but the women job. Thirty they heard that the plant protect the Singer strike a success story.

tion men, who are solidly union, voted \$12 a week apiece out of their pay toward the strike fund.

The extra \$1,000 helps put out thousands of leaflets which are blanketing union county, explaining the strike issue.

BUT THERE'S MORE to the Singer story, Especially, it's a story of women-workers and wives of claws. It was no idle phrase. She workers-who have banded together to bring the facts of the

the years before the union came to Singer's that prompted her to ask us not to use her name. She has vey of the entire working force of worked for the Singer Co. 38 years 7,000, and then arrange to visit -exactly half the 76 years' time each of the homes, and discuss the strike with all the workers' wives.

In one Elizabeth home this week, the committee found that a family with 12 children is being supported by the paycheck of one son, the only one left with a job since the strike started. There, they spoke to the striker's wife, and one of her daughters, a 17year-old girl with a cardiac con-

"I know what the strike's all about," the weary, gaunt woman said. "I went through the depression. It's very bad for us now, but my husband I, we talked about the strike. I'm with you."

The visiting wives brought her to the union's Welfare Committee, and sent the young girl over to Their union-Local 401 of the the Wives' Employment Commitwives in spreading the word.

This work is done by a subgroup called the Friendship Visitphase of the gigantic job the wives have taken on under the leadership The union's headquarters, across of Mrs. Marie Farrell, grandhuge L-shaped sewing machine it her business to come down to

pitched a tent alongside, and still tee, which threw a mammoth party they spill over into the backyards for 500 strikers' kids at the Lithfor the continual flow of meetings, uanian Liberty Hall, complete with sometimes a dozen in a morning. movies, ice cream and green

quarters, you feel the swirl of ac- This week, they've taken full retion group, staffing the office, and

baker, druggist - pulling for them, are tackling it with the kind of thousand got a special lift this week when spirit and spunk that will make

SPEEDUP RATES 'POISON OATS, STRIKER WRITES

ELIZABETH. Editor, New Jersey Worker:

port, N. J., plant of the Singer the job. This way we will wind for so many years. This grass tionary in the city commission Ward that was formed to create Mfg. Co. I have been getting your up fighting among ourselves and roots movement was more an campaign was John B. Keenan, such unity around one Negro canpaper on the picket-line and think weakening our union's fighting anti-Hague movement than pro- who earned the opposition of didate did not receive the necesit is the best paper I have ever power.

speed-up. The company propaganda is to blame the ones who corrupt

It want to say that we get a lot of company propaganda thrown cost of living and with his wantat as and some of the fellows fall ing to live decently—to a hungry for it and spread it around as if it is their own idea.

One story especially is a corker. Under the "standards" system of to tell that horse and then were under the "standards" system of to tell that horse not to eat it, scientific speedup that the company uses, Singer's made it easy for some people to take home good whose fault is it that he ate the pay. That was so that they could poison, the horse or the one who make the people take speed-up without complaining. Now the it? The answer is simple, you make the people take speed-up without complaining. Now the it? The answer is simple, you make the people take speed-up without complaining. Now the it? The answer is simple, you make the people take speed-up without complaining. Now the it? The answer is simple, you make the people take speed-up without complaining. Now the it? The answer is simple, you make the people take speed-up without complaining. Now the it? The answer is simple, you make the people take speed-up without complaining. Now the it? The answer is simple, you make the people take speed-up without complaining. Now the it? The answer is simple, you make the people who have fought and Sensition. Ellews the new of living and with his want. The vote for Ellenstein marked to light the state of living and with his want. The vote for Ellenstein marked to light the state of living and with his want. The vote for Ellenstein marked to light the state of living and with his want. The vote for Ellenstein marked to light the state of living and with his want. The vote for Ellenstein marked to light the state of living and with list want. The vote for Ellenstein marked to light the state of living and with list want. The vote for Ellenstein marked to light the living and with list and contributed to developing the capsolidate with levery contributed to developing the capsolidate. The lower company i

EGG FARMERS AID STRIKE

extensive aid program for striking operative, Hightstown. Singer workers.

The Singer aid campaign follows on the heels of a donation of sev-

Taking part in the actions are Party national committeemen.

TOMS RIVER-Poultry farmers the FLF Cooperative in Farming-in the Ocean County area are de-monstrating their solidarity with Cooperative (FEPCO) of Toms organized labor by setting up an River and the Central Jersey Co-

The Egg Producers Cooperative at a large membership meeting eral hundreds of chickens and recently voted action to aid the large amounts of eggs for striking campaign to free the Trenton Six, CIO brewery workers in New and also protested the thoughtcontrol trial of the 12 Communist



SINCER SEWING MACHINE strikers, at an Elizabeth, N. J., streetcorner, demonstrate the "theory behind the company's sweating speedup scheme. While one striker holds a stopwatch, another deals four stacks of cards in 27 seconds. On this basis the firm worked out its "standards" system whereby workers must follow the same timing at work, eight hours a day, day in and day out. If a worker falls behind he is considered "inefficient." Chief demands of striking CIO United Electrical Workers locals in Elizabeth and Bridgeport, Conn., are an end to speedup, substantial -Photo by Peter wage raise and shorter work week.

The City Elections And What They Mean

Bq Martha Stone

THE FIRST THING that must be said about the city commission elections in Jersey City and Newark is that the progressive trends among the people disclosed in the presidential campaign-although still locked within the two-party system-were evident in

middle class elements for his hous-

Hague machine and they did the campaign. He got support among election day.

gathered in Journal Sq. a few days before the voting. They chanted anti-Hague slogans, and demonstrated against the

I am a striker at the Elizabeth- made good money for "spoiling" chine that has intimidated citizens Kenny. The people showed de- many clergymen and churchgoers sary support of the labor move-

Particularly outstanding was the his position against discrimination been made known to the people, Jersey City election. The people of Negro people and other min- Keenan would not have been sucsaw an opportunity to lick the orities-a real issue in this election cessful in buying his votes on

> ing plan to alleviate the housing A MAJOR OBJECTIVE that shortage in this city and among Communists and progressives had small store keepers and home- in the Newark election was to creowners for his fight on the high ate the broadest unity around one tax rate in this city for which Negro candidate to the city com-Murphy has been responsible. He mission.

had support among labor and The Communist Party of New-

other groups for his fight auginst ark made an outstanding contributhe strong influences of the Cath-tion to the struggle by withdrawal olic hierarchy in the city com- of Elwood Dean in favor of Merlvin Johnson. Other Negro candidates failed to take such a posi-THE OUTSTANDING reaction. The committee in the Third

seen for labor news. Calling it the Wy picket captain explained it want to say that we get a worker and his problems—the high saw a chance to do it.

My picket captain explained it termination to kick Hague out, because of his corrupt character. ment and Negro and white property good. He compared the with—the worker and his problems—the high saw a chance to do it.

THE N. J. CITY ELECTIONS

(Continued from Page 2) the Negro and white people in this tics. city, the election of a Negro to office would have been more possible. Furthermore, the sizeable vote east for a Negro candidate in the white communities of Newark shows that more and more Negrowhite unity can be achieved for the election of a Negro to City Government.

SIGNIFICANT FACT in the election was the vote for the Progressive Party candidate, Richard Ryan, who secured a vote of 4,532. This together with the coalition policy the Progressive Party followed in support to Ellenstein and Johnson shows that this organization has wide support in

Considering the difficulties this organization faced after the November elections and the inevitable period of reorganization of their forces after November, the vote show that thousands of Wallace supporters will rally to the Progressive Party. It proves be-Party is not wiped out. The Pro-ducting an energetic campaign. gressive Party can grow as it be; comes linked in struggles around ed in the election campaign-to-

criticism of labor on issues of ple to score greater gains.
housing, teachers' salaries, etc. He Surely this session of Congress longer regarded Vincent Murphy and Government that has betrayed party and their machine politics. there can be no reliance upon the him with two labor candidates, Moran and Carlin. The people who voted for Moran and Carlin, tions. They did not vote for their

labor-splitting and redbaiting tac-

If Moran and Carlin are to represent labor they will have to play an independent role in the City Commission. Unless these two labor men act to help break the real estate-bankers' grip on City Hall and play an independent role as labor men, the people of Newark will not get a New Deal. "Labor" representation can advance the people's needs only where labor men fight for the people and against the interests of the real estate sharks and industrialists of our city.

THE COMMUNIST PARTY in this election scored a vote of 1,969 notwithstanding the very limited campaign that was conducted. the communities and is here to This marked the vote of some of the most advanced forces in the city campaign. Faced with many-sided attacks upon the Communist Party, the trade union movement, and the civil liberties of the people which required serious attention, the election campaign was relegated to the background. It was this weakness that prevented yond doubt that the Progressive the Communist Party from con-

broad people's issues—part and gether with broad movements on higher levels expressed in the alitions of the people. ter Bill, in the turnout for two DEMOCRATIC TRENDS peace rallies at the Mosque in a among the people are further seen six-week period of time, and in in the defeat of Murphy and Brady the initiative taken by left forces and in the election of two labor in the fight for increased unemmen to the City Commission. The ployment benefits as well as the Murphy defeat represents no loss mass movement around the Trenfor labor. It reflects widespread ton Six-all point up to leftward

The democratic trends express-

was particularly under attack on and the Truman Administration the tax issue. The people no has been shown up as a Congress By Ed Michaels defeated Murphy they replaced us to another economic crisis and war.

THIS NATIONAL LESSON must be remembered in dealing voted for labor representation in with local factors as well. The Government-and in that sense it people cannot rely upon John marks an advance over other elec. Kenny to bring about a New Deal (Continued on Page 16)

We Start the New Year with This Resolution

In 1949, we are going to try to be a better employer. We are going to try to have General Electric an even better place to work.

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS COME CHEAP AT GENERAL ELECTRIC'S TRENTON PLANT when the only cost involved is a half-page ad in the Trenton Times-and the livelihood of 500 workers. This ad, which appeared in the Times Jan. 9, announced GE executives' solemn resolutien to learn "how to get along better with the people who daily work with them; how to be more considerate, more helpful, more responsive to the needs, wishes and feelings of their employes in the conduct of a day's work . . . to make GE a better place to work, by doing everything in their power to put human considerations first.'

Four months later the company showed its "human considerations" by laying off half the workers at the Trenton GE plant. Today the 500 laid-off workers form long lines at UCC offices, recall bitterly the giant corporation's "big friendly father" pose. Behind it, they know now, was the speedup whip that cracked all along the GE main assembly line, and finally drove them out of jobs.

Main message of numerous GE ads was to "warn the workers against the Communists" and tell them all about freedom of opportunity under

capitalism.

The GE workers' union, the CIO United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America, has meanwhile been pointing out that GE's monopoly profits rolled up a record high of close te \$84,000,000 in 1948, a neat 34 percent rise over 1947 profits. Their local, UE 443, is helping speed unemployment compensation checks to the 500 unemployed.

Westinghouse Jimcrow Muscles in on Maisie

working people get the best deal girls stayed away from this Jimpossible. So I want to tell you crow affair. A lot more should 6 LIVES; 1 WORLD this story and hope you'll publish have stayed away. .

Lamp Division in Bloomfield- could have ben an example of Headlight Department, Division how working people stick together. 349. The company has been put- An example that would have ting all kinds of things over on us. made our boss think twice before First they say the department is he tried to push us around again. moving South, and lay most of us Instead, it crumpled into a comoff. Then, in a little while, the pany-run show. The bosses who department starts up again. wouldn't give Maisie a decent pen-Everyone is scared to work here sion were there. But the Negro

company succeeded in dividing us away.

It's about Maisie, an old-time woman worker in our department who was expecting to retire. That to keep a Negro out of any public means near-starvation under the place, and that means any resmiserly Westinghouse Pension Plan. So we all chipped in every week to give Maisie a \$500 bond when she retired.

EVERY WEEK, for years, the girls in Headlight chipped in-Negro and white alike, to help Maisie face retirement. Two weeks ago Maisie retired. She was given her bond and a banquet at Parillo's. But the Negro our union. If we white workers are maisie's present—were told that they couldn't come to Maisie's pushed around, we'll only hurt banquett. They pushed around we'll only hurt band are living and living the communist rarry.

Local 80 FTA will hold a spade ghetti dinner for the benefit of the Six from 5 to 10 p.m. Saturday, band legs left by a severe attack of present. Arch St.

I know that you're out to help banquet. A lot of other white

I work in the Westinghouse something fine and noble. It because they figure the depart- workers, and a lot of their white ment will shut down again soon. friends, who put up the money Here's an example of how the for Maisie's bond, were kept

> I know, and everyone knows, that it's against New Jersey law taurant. So the committee's "excuse" was no excuse.

> But we didn't stick together. And no one gained anything by it but the company. The Headlight Department is all divided because this way.

'Free Six' Drive for labor. It reflects widespread discontent and anger in both the AFL and CIO. Murphy roused criticism of labor on issues of housing, teachers' salaries, etc. He ton Six—all point up to leftward trends among the people that open up new opportunities for the people to score greater gains. Surely this session of Congress Surely this session of Congress

-CAMDEN.-The case of the Trenton Six was blasted through commercial press sias labor's representative. He was the people's election mandate. lence to city-wide prominence here last Saturday. While individuals carrying picket signs part and parcel of the Democratic The deep lesson in all this is that should what the "free press" was not free to tell 950 copies of the Civil Rights pamphlet. shouted what the "free press" was not free to tell, 950 copies of the Civil Rights pamphlet, A significant fact in the Newark elections is that while the people to win out against those leading sold on street corners of the three MATUED MAYEC HED DEDIT

> Kaighn Ave. Hundreds of signatures were obtained on petitions, with many

main shopping districts of the city

and Federal St. and Broadway and

-26th and Federal Sts., Broadway

signers making cash contributions for the fight to fight to free six innocent Negroes now in the Trenton death house.

"I'm from the South, but I'll be glad to sign." "Give me two or three more for

my neighbors. "Please keep the change. Use it for another pamphlet."

These were some of the fre-Of course I didn't go to the quent expressions of sympathy for

Typical of world protests against This affair should have been the frameup of the Trenton Six is this comment in the Honolulu (Hawaii) Record:

"It is the most barbaric travesty on our democracy since the infamous Scottsboro case, but the un-American Committee and our super-patriots have remained loudly silent.

"That is because it happened in New Jersey. Had is taken place in Hungary or Czechoslovakia, the go, too. daily press would have used threeinch headlines and there would have been serious cases of overheated tonsils by the radio commentators."

he frame-up victims as even drivers leaned from cars to purchase the pamphlet and voice their approval of the civil rights mobilization.

Participants in the demonstration came from such organizations of this incident, with plenty of as the Civil Rights Committee of bad feeling instead of good union Local 103, UE-CIO; Young Profeeling. It didn't have to happen gressives of America, Progressive Party; Civil Rights Congress and

When 87-year-old Ella Reeve Bloor, the beloved Mother Bloor, comes to Camden Sunday for the 130th Walt Whitman Day celebration, she'll be paying homage to an old friend. Mrs. Bloor knew the immortal "good, gray poet" when, is a child, she journeyed, with him on the ferryboat between Camden and Philadelphia.

. Although she is under a doctor's care, Mother Bloor plans to make her "debut" at the Camden observance, which begins at 2:30 p.m. at Harleigh Cemetery, Camden. The memorial pilgrimage is under auspices of the Walt Whitman Memorial Committee, sponsored by prominent writers and artists.

"I have planned with my doctor to make my debut after all these weeks of illness to go to Camden for the memorial," Mrs. Bloor wrote the committee. "He said if I ate more and rested more I could be there. I got him so interested I wouldn't be surprised if he would

"The doctor discovered the cause of a relapse at the time of the Peace convention. I was so mad at the ignorance displayed by the treatment some people gave the couuldn't take it. Then I remembered a photo I saw hanging over a comrade's desk many years ago. It was a full-sized man's head with one eye tied with a bandage. Underneath was the inscription, don't know nothin' . . . I never DID know nothin' . . and I don't WANT to know nothin?

"There are such people still moving around but they are walk-



MOTHER BLOOR

that's holy, it won't last long. Love to you all, and I'll see you in Camden May 29."

(Ed. note: Mother Bloor's letter didn't need any "translating!")

The Sunday program will include a visit to Whitman's Camden home on Mickle Street dinner at the homes of Camden residents who will be hosts to the pilgrimage at 6 p.m. and a mass meeting at visitors to the convention, I just the Hotel Walt Whitman junior ballrom at 8 p.m.

> Sponsoring the commemoration are Howard Fast, Samuel Sillen. Thomas McGrath, Aaron Kramer, Arnold D'Usseau, Eva Merriam, Theodore Ward, Robert Gwathmay, Raphael Soyer, Joseph Hirsh, Anthony Toney, Harari, Harry Gottlieb, Emie Grichlow and many others.



LRSEY'S JOB CRISIS, already at near-depression levels, is hitting its Negro citizens hardest of all. U.CC lines tell part of the story of the Big Business campaign to squeeze Negroes out of industry.

Charge Gov't Aids Negro Job Squeeze

By Arthur Brown

(Chairman, Middlesex County Chairman Communist Party)

Robeson Village is a low-cost federal housing project on the outskirts of New Brunswick. On a warm spring evening it presents a happy, contented picture with its rows of brick crow."

houses, spacious lawns. Children Village. Recent figures of the State playground beyond the parking lot. Employment Service reveal that On nearby city-owned property more than 75 percent of workers you can see a large field and sev- displaced by industry into domeseral men bending to the plowed tic work or outright unemployearth as they work their gardens. ment are Negroes. Next to the garden area there's a The Negro tenants of Robeson ball game going on, with a big Village see the point, even if the

it could be.

It is being used as a tetsingground right now in the Big Busi- askel Leroy Swain, one of a group ness drive to force Negroes out of of Robeson Villagers I interviewed industry and back to the low-paid at random. "What do they want are "wood-and-water" jobs the Free to do-go to the boss and ask him Enterprise system has traditionally to cut our wages? There's enough By Franklin Paine held them down to.

THE FEDERAL Housing Au- ing to push us down." thority representatives who manage Mr. Swain was one of those who than 100 drunken fraternity volved here is federal law, which to feel the Big Business squeezes stration that began with urinating time. requires tenants of low-cost gov- against Negroes in industry. ernment projects to keep their in- Laid off at Mack's, he now building and ended with the explo-

other low-cost projects in New Jer- before. sey and elsewhere have been faced He takes home \$47 a week to with the problem of mass evictions bring up his girl of 13 and his boy because their tenants are "making of 6. His rental is \$39.50, plus a too much money."

There's nothing they can dousing an electric refrigerator, and they say-about the regulations about \$6.50 a month the year that have compelled eviction nor round to feed his coal stove. That's tices to be sent to 40 of the 60 \$47 month plue his sewer taxes. families who live in Robeson Vil-

once about Robeson Village.

All its tenants are Negroes. When the housing authority tells the Negro tenants of Robeson Village they have to get out, it knows there is only one kind of place they can move into-high-priced, ey's Negro citizens.

And when it tells the tenants of ed a Tenants Council. ing the threat of jimcrow slums. The tenants are well organized people and broad progressive over the heads of its Negro citizens now. President of the council is forces, that have the power in

group of kids cheering their U. S. Covernment claims it's just It seems like an ideal place, and could be.

There's only one thing wrong.

It is being used

a matter of "regulations." One way or another "regulations" like that have been the point of struggle all their lives.

"Where are we going to move?" of us getting our wages cut right

comes within a specified amount works as a mechanic's helper at an sion of a bomb. to be eligible to live in the project. automobile sales agency-and The authorities will tell you makes less money than he made for Targum columnist Harold

dollar a month for the privileges of

food, something for clothing-and doctor's bills-what's left?"

what turned the Robeson Village tions to press for their demands. tenants' anger into united action. They took their eviction notices to tions for the people's victory.

Negro and white progressive comprowded, disease - breeding slum They took their eviction notices to areas where landlord greed has Negro and white progressive comtaked out ghettoes for New Jer- munity leaders, held a mass meeting at the Urban League and form-

we to move is because they're resolution, signed by every family Hague machine of yesterday. It is

the current drive of Big Busi- George Hush, veteran, father of their hands to fight for a people's ss to push Negroes out of indus-five children. There is a tenants' program of jobs, security and captain for each block, and reg-peace. The newly elected City ular meetings are scheduled.

people who live in Robeson many illusions. They know the per- people

manent solution is more low-cost homes, and they point to the wide vacant area where the homes can be built-"only this time no jim-

pay cuts to do it."

PAGE ONE: HE GOT A JOB

to support my family. ... " Signed labor, portering or ANY job. . . ."

The Carl A. Hunt Engineering graduate a job.

The Record leaped at the op- type project in Bergenfield. portunity to strike a blow for full Louis Ganzel, Foster Village employment. In a patronizing rental agent, admitted to The page one story it cried out in wide Worker the job didn't quite call

Until then, they're not getting back," wrote the classified advertiser and his wife had carefully out of Robeson Village. "We're tising manager. ". . . My pub-figured out as their family's mini-going to keep fighting it," one Villisher tells me it will be all right mum need. lager told me. "As long as the peo- this time to stake a man to the "I don't know anything about

lice record. High school educa- me."

HACKENSACK .- "I must have tion. Need salary of \$53 to \$56 a job or I'll have to turn to crime to support family. . . . Will accept

"Honest Negro," it took an ad like Co. responded generously. "Honthis in the Bergen Evening Record est Negro" got a job-cutting grass last week to get a high school and general cleanup at Foster Village, the firm's 636-unit garden-

headlines: "UNKNOWN; AD'S for the high school education ad-FREE; PLEASE STAY HON- vertised in the Bergen Evening Record, and that it didn't pay the "Come in and get your \$1.50 \$53 to \$56 the unnamed adver-

ple stick we'll keep our homes. price of a life. . . ."

And we're not going to take any

The ad read: "Age, 26. No polooked husky. That's enough for

OMB ANTI-BIAS PAPER

NEW BRUNSWICK-Targum-the Rutgers University student newspaper-is still now without the government help-holding its head high against mob violence unleased on the Rutgers campus last week by "upper crust" fraternity men enraged at the paper's stand against discrimination. More

against the wall of the Targum

The fraternity drunks shouted Harris like a Southern lynch mob and hurled threats at Norman Led-

(Continued from Page 15) "Making too much money?" he in Jersey City. Nor can they rely THAT DOUBLE SQUEEZE is portunities created in these elec- polls.

upon the UNITY AND INDE- the Targum building, tore up edi-PENDENT POLITICAL AC- tions of the paper, splashed beer TION OF LABOR AND THE over the windows and proceeded PEOPLE. The Kenny machine to show true college spirit by uri-Robeson Village the reason they Then they brought their protest can be come as corrupt as the nating on the building. making too much money," the in the project, to the City Comthe leadership of advanced labor
to government is in effect holdmission. forces, in alliance with the Negro Fathers in Jersey City and New-IT'S NOT an academic point to Robeson, Villagers don't have ark must feel the pressure of the

Robeson Village will deny that, received a notice. And he's one of "brothers," shouting "Hooray for gin, the paper's editor-in-chief, this to say about the incident in a They'll tell you the only issue in those, too, who have already begun discrimination," set off a demon- who was in the building at the frontpage editorial:

> Rutgers has been New Jersey's official state university since 1945.

recommended fraternities with tions?" discriminatory clauses in their con-

is a Negro.

Fraternities retaliated by getting asks. "We're hardly getting along upon Villani or Moran or Ellen- rid of the student council instead, Maybe. But there's one differ- now! With \$25 or \$30 a week for stein in Newark. The best that changing their eating hours to can be said is that if the people keep the large commuting part of rely upon their own independent the student body, which normally strength and seize hold of new op- votes at noontime, away from the

> Last week's lynch-type demonthey face some favorable condi-stration followed a beer-party celebration at Delta Phi fraternity house. The frat boys marched to

> > An hour later a bomb explosion rocked the building and that of the 90-year-old Student Union 100 vards away. Ledgin, unhurt, had

"Few of us mind that certain members of our society blow off steam, or pass water, in order to let the world know of their malcontent. But . . . a free press is the THE ISSUE of discrimination keystone of a democratic society. in the school's fraternities has been Are we to replace it with the prinhitting Targum's front pages ever ciples espoused by Kappa Kappa since the Rutgers Student Council Kappa (KKK) and like organiza-

A full investigation has been stitutions get rid of them-or get promised by Cornelius B. Boococ), Rutgers dean of men. At last "Bucky" Hatchett, Rutgers star reports, the investigation was not athlete and Senior class president, progressing very well. Dean Boo-is a Negro. cock, is a member of Delta Phi fraternity, at whose building the demonstration began.



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Shanghai, World's Fourth City, Welcomes Liberation Armies

A North China News Agency dispatch describes the strategy that liberated Shanghai and is now closing in on the last "capital" of the Kuomintang forces—Canton.

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National Board Acts to Split CIO by Ultimatum to Unions

The recent meeting of the top CIO officials reviewed and note taken of the meaning of some of their decisions—as seen by The Worker's labor editor, George Morris.

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The South and the Nation — New Trends vs. Bourbon Aims

Two searching articles on the rising freedom movement of Negro Americans and efforts to stop it by the fascist Dixiecrats and their agents in the trade union rightwing.

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Union Chief Opposes Textile Pay Boost

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BROOKLYN RALLY ASKS SWIFT TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL



A call for repeal of the Taft-Hartley law and a return to the Wagner Act was sounded as Brooklyn unionists demonstrated at Borough Hall.

JOHN GATES OPENS DEFENSE FOR '12'

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by William Z. Foster

IN DEFENSE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY AND THE INDICTED LEADERS

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Election Pledges To Mass. Labor

teamed up with Beacon Hill Republicans last week to vote down a State House bill pushed by Massachusetts labor for Senate Nixes Bill

the past 30 years. The bill would have set up a state-financed work-men's compensation fund. Labor Crowd Packs leaders, who placed all their eggs in the Dever basket, had predicted passage. The present Democratic Legislature rode into office on a flood of union votes.

Under pressure from private insurance firms who gobble up the compensation gravy, legislators sold out their campaign promises.

FOR JAFRC

BOSTON. — A crowd of more sold out their campaign promises to labor. Boston Herald columnist W. E. Mullins crowed that "the big mer assistant U. S. attorney genmer assistant U. S. attorney genmer assistant U. F. d. point is that labor is not so im- eral O. John Rogge and Dr. Edportant in the Legislature as its ward K. Barsky, national chairman spokesmen thought it had a right to be." Mullins was right; Demo-Committee in a meeting staged as paign pledge. All admit that last November's history-making land-slide was the work of the Labor Committee.

Senate, where weaseling law- Donald Lothrop offered the Commakers refused to permit a rollcall munity Church hall after the canvote. Not a single Senator declared cellation was made public. his position on the bill. AFL LegisVector Agent. Formath Valley Senator declared YWCA spokesmen maintained Wins Aid for lative Agent Kenneth Kelly announced his "chagrin" at the
failure to get a rollcall. Doublecrossing Senators can't even be
pinned down by name. The bill

That they would not have rented
the hall if they had known that
the Spanish Refugee Appeal,
sponsor of the meeting, was a
pinned down by name. The bill

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BOSTON.—Mrs. Bessie Mitch-

topheavy rollcall of 161 to 61 laid legal "subversive list." the bill to test. The AFL's Kelly, a prominent Democratic supporter, declared that "we'll be happy to swap the state fund for passage cording to the YWCA, FBI officers."

The overflow crowd was a has completed a highly successful tour of the New England area. Speaking under the auspices of the Civil Rights Congress, Mrs. of other bills.

down heavy on the necks of the hospital for Republican Spanish innocent men whose case is now representatives it elected, it won't refugees was taken up. get a thing from the two-old-party Legislature.

Old Timers To Be Fired In Brockton

BROCKTON, Mass.—Officials of At New High; lied Craftsmen have announced their willingness to "arbitrate" fantastic demands pressed by Douglas Shoe Co. on its 600 workers wage cuts rangeing to 30 percent, speedup, and rate slashes.

Samson branded information that workers over 60 are slated for layoffs "a vicious lie." Brockton workers know that Douglas plans the layoffs for old-timers. Samson ad-eligible, and tens of thousands of mitted that the company had de-part-time workers can't collect." manded increased productivity and rate cuts.

cent wage for Cut-Sole workers, in both states GI claims by jobless addition to "increased production standards." Workers at the Brockton Maid Shop accepted a

Over 70 percent of Brockton's gress acts. shoe workers are now unemployed. More than 6,500 are out of work.

Seeks Pay Boost

BOSTON.-Reports this week tries. stated that the CIO's United Shoe Workers were set to demand a 10-cent-an-hour wage increase under terms of a re-opener clause in the union's contract. The demand, if pressed, would go before an arbitrator. Full mobilization of rank and file workers would be necessary to force an increase

of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee

slide was the work of the United had been cancelled at the last mo-Arrangements for the meeting The bill was knifed first in the ment by the Boston YWCA. Rev.

was tossed out by voice vote. JAFRC has been placed on At-ell, sister of one of six Trenton, In the Democratic House, a torney General Tom Clark's il-

cials had a hand. A large collec- Mitchell rallied thousands of New But unless Mass. labor comes tion for the Committee's French Englanders to the defense of the

> YWCA officials, swamped with Supreme Court. calls of protest, offered the evasive answer that "we have considered unions, churches, and community everything and this is our deci- groups. She is an AFL garment sion." Some JAFRC members have worker herself. One of the high-YWCA, which had accepted a deposit on the hall.

Unemployment

BOSTON, Mass.-Massachusetts Company bosses have demanded unemployment hit a record high last week, with 191,460 jobless workers claiming compensation from the Division of Employment Brotherhood chairman Alfonso Security. One year earlier the amson branded information that jobless rolls had numbered 104,-547. Actually, the number of compensation claimants is only partial index of unemployment. Thousands of workers are in-

> veterans had jumped considerably. GI compensation is scheduled to expire next month unless Con-

Massachusetts officials declared that textile and shoe had chalked up most layoffs. Scattered layoffs have occurred in all indus-

Communist Party On the Air Sunday-1:30 P.M. Station WSAR, Fall River, 1480 kilocycles

Demos Turn Down Rieve Knifes Fight For Wage Increase

LAWRENCE, Mass.-Rank and file textile workers here were mapping plans last week to push demands for substantial wage increases despite "advice" from the CIO Tex-BOSTON.-Gov. Paul Dever's Democratic henchmen tile Workers Union to "forego raises at this time." The startling advice was announced by

For Jobless Pay

BOSTON. - State House Democrats chalked up one more sellout last week by joining with Republican Senators to kill H. 905, a bill to increase unemployment compensation to \$30 for 40 weeks. The bill was turned down by a Senate vote of 14 to 4, with 22 Senators not voting. Frightened legislators refused to allow a rollcall vote.

Senate seats are split even, with 20 Democrats and 20 Republicans. Campaign promises were thrown to the wind with only four men voting for labor. Two-timing old party politicians rigged things so that "no" votes can't be charged against any Senator's name.

for a murder they did not commit. under review by the New Jersey

Mrs. Mitchell spoke to trade Workers.

Gov. Alfred Driscoll were distributed. A Greater Boston Committee to Free the Trenton Six is being set up under leadership of Packinghouse Local 11.

Mrs. Mitchell returns to New England for a Springfield CRC meeting on Friday, June 3.

Jobless Join

their usual vacation pay.

federal works projects at union litical reasons only.

Woolen and Worsted Division & Chief John Chupka, Rieve-ite lieu- Now Brown offers the same threadtenant.

contract, notice of wage demands increases are "impossible" was exmust be filed by June 1 for woolen ploded last month by Mass. leather and worsted workers and by June workers: The CIO's militant Fur 15 for cotton and rayon. Demands and Leather Workers forced pay are then referred to appointed arbonses out of reluctant tannery bitrators.

Textile wages have been slashed

TWUA'S BETRAYAL of the

But TWUA chiefs, in a decision set for wage struggles. which violated national CIO pol- Employers now have "union au-



EMIL RIEVE **Against Pay Boost**

boost in 1947, declaring that such belly-crawling would "create ad-Thousands of pamphlets and booted into the street. The jobs by rate cuts and speedup. petitions addressed to New Jersey which Rieve promised to save had won an increase.

One year ago Area Director Ar-thur Brown told Lawrence work-the toughest times yet. ers that "foregoing wage increases" The union decision effects 75,-

bare excuse.

Under terms of Rieve's no-strike The bosses' big lie that wage

severely by part-time employment, wage fight knifed national CIO rate cuts, and speedup. AFL tex-policy in the back. The announce-tile unions have asked a ten-cent ment came on the same day that an hour boost and eastern carpet the CIO executive board anworkers have demanded fifteen nounced its drive for a fourth cents. Rank-and-file talk had men- round of wage increases. Millions tioned a 25-cent an hour demand. of workers in all industries are

icy, sold their own workers down thority" for the hoax that increases the river. Rieve-ites peddled the are impossible. TWUA's failure same old excuse that "now is not to win an increase last January the time to fight for a wage in- was used against workers in all industries.

Rieve had refused to ask a pay Rieve's back-tracking was a flat reversal of the CIO's "anti-depression formula." Demand for clothing and textile goods has shrunk because underpaid workers can't afford to buy the things they need. Supplies have piled up in mill warehouses and inventories. CIO policy is to boost workers purchasing power and bolster employment through wage increases.

Pay increases would slow down Capitalism's B i g Depression. Rieve's repetition of the bosses' low wage demands will only speed up unemployment in the textile

Angry rank-and-filers were demanding that union locals take things into their own hands. Technically the decision of the union's national board is only advisory: locals are free to act as they wish.

Progressives in the union were pushing for a rank-and-file wage demand. Failure to win a pay increase now will open the door urged a legal suit against the lights of the tour was a contribu-ditional demand and maintain em-for immediate wage cuts in the tion of \$100 voted by District 6 of ployment." But belly-crawling mills. Unorganized mills have sufthe CIO's United Packinghouse didn't win a thing for textile work-fered cuts already. Organized ers. Tens of thousands have been shops have been slashed as badly

> Unless workers use their own were lost faster than if the union strength to force an immediate increase out of the bosses, New Eng-

would strengthen workers' hands 000 woolen-worsted workers. More in 1949 negotiations. Workers than 100,000 cotton-rayon workers didn't win a penny last January. will probably get the same advice.

NEW HAMPSHIRE PP RAPS SUPPRESSION AT COLLEGE

CONCORD, N. H.-The state's three-man board of selectmen Progressive Party lashed out last turned down the request on the week at "repressive treatment" of grounds of not having "enough FALL RIVER, Mass.-Unem- Progressive professors at the Uni- time to consider it." A crowd of ployment keeps on smashing away versity of New Hampshire in Durate Pall River's textile workers. ham. The party's state executive hearing Prof. Phillips. Connecticut with 76,117 un- Layoffs at American Thread Co's committee protested the denial of The PP statement declared that employed, also climbed to a new Kerr Thread Mill have been civil liberties in "the Rideout- "incidents like these are not lim-Bosses have demanded a 5 per- high. Observers noted that in stepped up in preparation for a Daggett case." The statement also ited to the campus of UNH. They complete shutdown. Berkshire rapped Durham selectmen for are just three more parts to the Mills have announced "sharp cur- their refusal to permit a PP open nationwide repression of progresair protest meeting in the town. sive ideas. . . . We urge that pro-

Most mills have scheduled va- Prof. John G. Rideout, PP state tests be sent to President Arthur cations of a full month instead of chairman, has announced that he S. Adams and to the trustees of the usual one or two weeks. Work- is leaving the university, though UNH." ers, however, will receive only he had earlier declared his intention to remain "indefinitely." Rank and file workers, em- Prof. G. Harris Daggett, PP vice- WORKERS STRIKE ployed and jobless, have formed chairman, has declared that he a Committee to Fight Unemploy- may be forced to leave. He ment in Fall River. The group's charged that his promotion, twice PEABODY, Mass.-Three hunprogram calls for increased un-recommended by his department dred workers at the Kerstein employment benefits, state and head, had been held up for po- Leather Co. have struck to sup-

Ernest Audet, former president of bert J. Phillips, fired by University chussets Leather Manufacturers

port their demand for the wage wages, the 30-hour week with 40 hours' pay, and extension of 52-20 asked permission for an outdoor benefits for unemployed veterans. Protest meeting. Scheduled Kerstein, an independent, refused Chairman of the committee is speaker was Communist Prof. Her-UE-CIO at the Submarine Signal of Washington witch-hunters. The Association in granting pay boosts.

Free Two Cops Who Raped Negro Woman

MONTGOMERY, Ala.-Equal justice for all citizens was again thwarted in Alabama when a Montgomery county grand jury refused to return an indictment against two Montgomery policemen. The policemen are charged with rape of Miss Gertrude Perkins, a Negro woman of 25.

clearly when they called Miss Perkins, "the Perkins woman."

the very start the city mayor had the most consistent followers of refused to allow her lawyers to this program of betrayal of the Commander of the American Le-see the police records so they might determine who the police-Carleton Moore of Houston. men in question were. He also refused a line-up of Montgomery controls in Texas was recently police so Miss Perkins might try rushed through the House of Repto identify her alleged attackers. resentatives without a public hear-When her attorneys tried to get ing. There is grave danger that Judge Eugene Carter to issue this bill will also pass the Senate, writs of Mandamus to order unless there is a storm of popular Montgomery county sheriff to serve John Doe warrants and to order the mayor to release police most Texas cities, however, that department records their petition was denied.

lashed out at radicals and Communists who might be teaching in public schools of the county. Ironically the grand jury said the radicals "seek to undermine the HOUSTON Tex-The Houst principles of good democracy laid Committee to Free the Ingrams down by our forefathers."

not give full coverage to the case tures on the petition to free the a weekly, The Montgomery Exam- Ingrams were turned in. iner did report it fully. The Participating as speakers were

The grand jury gave itself a clean bill of health by characterizing its members as "men prominently identified with the different churches in our city and county."

Cross Burned Before

was burned here Saturday in front in New York. of the Dexter Avenue Negro Church by masked members of the police raped her. Ku Klux Klan.

charges that two Montgomery Safe to Kill Negroes."

The jury's prejudice was clear when it said that Miss Perkins' testimony and that of her friend, George Davis, "was full of discrepancies and what looked like to us manufactured lies." The prejudice of the jury also stood out

AUSTIN, Texas. Push through the program of the big Justice was refused Miss Per- monopolies, and cover up with a smokescreen of red-baiting kins at every turn in her case. At -such is the program of the 51st Texas legislature. One of

Moore's bill to abolish all rent protest.

So critical is the rent gouge in protests have already begun to be heard from even very conserva-The prejudiced grand jury tive circles. Bill McCraw, State

HOUSTON, Tex,-The Houston held a meeting in Miles Chapel While the daily press here did where many hundreds of signa-

grand jury lambasted the Exam- Mrs. C. Adams, of the Daughters grand jury lambasted the Exam-Mrs. C. Adams, of the Daughters obviously want the whole hog at iner by saying that "the publicity of the Elks; Miss Ruth Koenig, one meal." given this case has not been help-ful to racial relations in our city." State Chairman of the Communist Party of Texas; Mr. Moses Leroy of the NAACP and the Railroad trayal of the people of Texas, Brotherhoods; and Mr. Tom Neal, Carleton Moore has been making State Director of the Progressive a loud noise about the "menace" Party. Mrs. Erman LeRoy, promi- of Communism. He is the author nent community leader of the Ne- of two bills now before the leggro people, was chairman.

Resolutions were adopted which called for the immediate freeing of colleges. Mrs. Ingram and her sons; for an Alabama Negro Churc end to police brutality in Houston, and for the dropping of the trial MONTGOMERY, Ala.-A cross of the 12 Communist Party leaders

White and Negro citizens were failure on part of authorities to bill would prohibt any ex-students outraged lately when equal justice administer equal fustice the Dex- of a school belonging to an assoof the law was refused to Gertrude ter Avenue Church had ironically ciation that blacklists a Texas Perkins, young Negro woman who listed as its Sunday sermon: "It's school from being licensed to prac-

ings on the Moore bill in view of the large number of veterans unable to find decent housing. Major General Robert W. Burns of the air force protested to Governor Beauford Jester that rent decontrol "would most seriously affect the welfare of thousands of officers and airmen." And Tighe Woods, federal housing expediter, issued a statement against the bill, saying that rent decontrol would work a severe hardship on the

In an open letter to Carleton Moore, distributed in thousands of copies, Herman Wright, Texas Chairman of the Progressive Party, said: "Your bill to abolish rent control means a wage cut for every Texan who works for a living and does not own a home. . . Your real-estate-owning friends are not satisfied with the 30 percent increase in rents authorized by the Federal Housing Expediter. They

TO HELP COVER UP his beislature that are aimed at stifling all freedom of thought in Texas

One would require every student in a state college to swear that he is not a member of the Communist, Nazi, or Fascist Party. The other bill declares that there is an immediate danger of Texas schools being blacklisted for viola-In answer to recent terror and tions of academic freedom. The tice any profession in Texas.

Struggle for Negro Rights, Housing, Jobs Needs a Mass Paper—You Can Build It

By Sam Hall

Chairman, Communist Party of Alabama

MOST OF YOU who will read this column are regular readers of The Worker.

I wonder if you remember how you first came into contact with The Worker. Chances are that someone either sold or handed you a copy of The Worker. If it had not been for that person you would still be depending on radio commentators, subsidized by monopoly corporations, or newspapers owned by big business for knowledge of what's happening in the world. Your mind would be at the mercy of the-Wall Street crowd.

The lesson should be clear. This nation is filled with hundreds of thousands who would welcome The Worker if it were presented to

The socielist movement in this country, out of which grew the Communist Party, U.S.A., had a great weekly newspaper, The Appeal to Reason. It was a more modest enterprise than The Worker, smaller in size and lacking wide coverage, but it had a band of readers who were crusaders for The Appeal to Reason. They worked daily to introduce the paper to others, to sell it, to get subscriptions. As a result this paper would attain

a circulation of a million copies on special occasions.

Such a crusading spirit among readers of The Worker could surpass this figure.

IRV GOFF, chairman of the Communist Party in Louisiana, who served in the O.S.S. in Italy during World War II, tells a powerful story about what a progressive newspaper means in the struggle for freedom. Italian partisans nightly slipped through the lines of the German Nazis to coordinate the fight of the Italian patriots on both sides of the invaders lines.

Each partisan wore a knapsack. He filled half of the knapsack with hand grenades, but the other half was reserved for copies of the fighting newspaper that rallied the people for the struggle. These partisans recognized that their newspaper was a weapon second to none in the bitter struggle in which they were engaged.

Such is the importance of The Worker in the people's fight today against the Taft-Hartley law, against the oppression of the Negro people, against the drive to convict and imprison the leaders of the Communist Party as a far-reaching step toward American fascism, and against the Wall Street drive toward war. In every campaign undertaken by the people The Worker is a MAIN weapon.

NOW WE HAVE state and sectional issues of The Worker which make it an even more useful weapon. Our Southern Edition of The Worker enables us to use our paper directly in southern struggles. This means that southern readers of The Worker must help make this edition even more powerful.

Workers in the shops must write for our paper. Not fancy articles, but straight-from-the-shoulder letters that tell of working conditions and what should be done about them. Farmers, sharecroppers, students and others should do likewise. Many workers, have things on their chest that they want to get off, but they hesistate to write for our paper. It's not difficult. Just write a letter as though you were writing it to a friend-then mail it to The Worker. Such letters can bring new life and strength to our paper.

In the recent circulation drive of The Worker, 36,517 new subscriptions were won. It was the largest number of subs ever rolled up in a Worker campaign. It proved that all the people are not falling for the bosses' anti-red hysteria; that the working people want our paper. In the South, Texas and the Carolinas showed that Worker circulation can be built. Both districts went over the top on their quota.

Some people think that only Communists push The Worker. It's true that our Party has the major responsibility, but non-Communist readers of The Worker, and in many sections they out-number the Communist readers, are also getting new readers for The Worker. You who read this will be surprised at how quickly you can get new readers for this paper if you will take a little time and introduce it

By Homer B. Chase

ATLANTA, Ga.-The educathe property of the citizens of peaters." In other words, almost Negro children. other states, though what is developing here must effect children contagious disease crosses state lines, so will the paralysis in education in Georgia effect your chil-

Here are some facts:

Schools in Appling and Baxley counties were closed for a week due to lack of funds.

Many counties have announced the fall because funds for school for pupil transportation. operating expenses and for teachers salaries are not available.

Education 52 percent of the white should make any American with tions they now hold.

school bus system.

not been inspected and 142 of scription.

THE CONDITION of the Ne- credit out of 2,500. According to the Department of gro schools reveals a situation that teachers and 58 percent of the Ne- respect for our democratic tradi-Several country counties are gro school children in Georgia. A further indication of the discrim-

white children in the first grade every 133 white children there is sible to pay the Negro elementary State School for the Blind. Mr. tional crisis in Georgia is not yet (out of a total of 64,966) "are re- only one school bus for every 1,082 teachers far less.

may be threatened on the way to receive an average of \$1,155.50.

According to the superintendent where buses are badly needed are paid the white supremacists on added to the crisis in education by teachers' salaries.

of Dekalb County schools, 15,000 While there is one school bus for the school board still find it pos- firing John Herndon, head of the

one out of four Georgia first grade This means that many counties receive an average of \$1,937.41; have attacked many sections of the white children have failed to pass provide no buses for Negro chil- Negro male elementary teachers Georgian population heretofore, throughout the country. Even as a due to lack of attention, crowded dren and Negro mothers see their receive an average of \$1,027.58: but this is the first time that they classrooms, inefficient instruction, six-year-old children walking as White female elementary teachers have openly attacked the blind.

> unsanitary delapidated condition depth o fthe crisis in the educa- post. Of the 2,763 buses for white of the school that the average Ne- tional system. These substandard gro elementary schools fit to ac-credit out of 2,500. not seen the importance of uniting solved without a struggle for Ne-with Negro teachers to end the dis-gro rights. crimination and to raise the stand- It is clear that Georgia cannot

Herndon is extremely popular with White male elementary teachers the blind students. Talmadgites and irregular attendance mainly much as five miles one way to receive an average of \$1,741.17; The people of Georgia have not caused by the lack of a functioning school. The lives of the children Negro female elementary teachers ignored this insult to their blind citizens and are turning a sym-Fifty percent of Georgia's white school by such hazards as poison-children never reach the tenth ous sakes and traffic accidents. The gia Negro teachers indicates the that Herndon be restored to his

The above are but a few of the children in Georgia 1,200 have gro child attends is beyond de- wages paid to Negro teachers make reasons and results of Georgia's possible the extremely low scale educational crisis, which is caused that their schools will not open in those inspected were found unfit The Georgia Accrediting Com- for white teachers. Up until now mainly by the oppression of the mission found fewer than 200 Ne- the majority of white teachers have Negro people and cannot be re-

ards of all teachers in Georgia. educate its children with a con-STATISTICS that were just However the Negro teachers have tinued dual school organization. gro teachers need additional train-ing in order to qualify for the posi-with anger. There are only 203 ment of Education concerning ton County which the local school ending the dual school system is school buses for the 219,766 Ne- teachers wages in this state are board is appealing to higher courts, now widely prevalent in Georgia. The people, both Negro and paying their teachers in script in high percentage of the Negro ination shown Negroes in educapeople live in country counties tion. As low as the white teachers State Board of Education further consolidation of schools, and



YANKS STARTING

They were sorry for poor old Casey Stengel when he started the American League season with a team rated on the downhill path even IF the peerless Joe DiMaggio were in there. Without the unfortunate Frisco slugger it looked like the end and many were the stories written about the crumPCL batting leader who has more of the stuff that labelled him

But here it is nearly June with the Yanks atop the league, and the league, including the favored Red Sox and Indians, are beginning to take the Yanks very very seriously! Of course, it's not Stengel's doing. There are no baseball miracle managers (though nobody can find fault with Casey to date). The Yankee success has a very material basis, so material that the team field gap, is showing more and They just may not do it! fool a lot of people, including

bellwethered by big Vic Raschi, league's top man. Nobody has been getting the kind of hurling field. Sanford, the "\$100,000 bust" chance," says the youthful Philafor a while, has shown signs of delphia third sacker, "I watched me plenty just the same." lock out.

A combination of surprising rookies and surprising holdovers is

The improved holdovers: Larry years ago. helped immeasurably by the tutor- and Tommy Henrich is still Toming of Bill Dickey, and Bobby my Henrich, only a little more so! bum fielding rap with increasing to help fill the DiMaggio gap. efficiency around third now that It's early in the year, but Sten-Cliff Mapes, filling the big center- to collapse.

weighed in with some big hits. | a batting terror at Kansas City two

Berra, catcher who has been Phil Rizzuto is still Phil Rizzuto Brown, who is living down the Old Reliable has really come up

he knows he's settled down. He gel will remain happy just as long always could hit and still does as everybody waits for the Yanks

Messrs. Veeck and Yawkey. It's composed of what is today the best pitching staff in the game, If the best pitching staff in the game,

a real ace who has overcome his one little hitch, failure against the Bosox, and may become the Bosox, and may become the

George Kell of Detroit doesn't know it, but if Willie featured by Vic, the suddenly ma- (Puddin' Head) Jones of the Phillies develops into a toptured Byrnes, Lopat and Porter-flight third baseman it'll be his fault. "Every time I had a

swinging into line and if he does, Kell. Hes my idea of a great third Jones, A 23-year-old rookie from baseman,

doing the rest of it. The first named exhibition games this spring. He "a fellow who loves to play ball." are Dick Kryhoski, making the showed me how to get in front of "Willie's the kind of guy who can grade at first base, Dick Coleman, the ball and how to throw from not get enough baseball," Sawyer A Newark grad who filled in for Stirnweiss, hit much harder than different positions. He didn't added. "He's got a good pair of George and gradually learned the know I was watching him and I hands, a strong arm and a desire new position, and Gene Woodling, never spoke to him but he helped to improve. "In a few years, it's

Laurel Hill, N. C., is described by "I watched him real close in the Phillie manager Eddie Sawyer as my opinion that he'll be one of the best infielders in the game."

Jones put in most of the 1948 season with Toronto of the International League where he batted .275,

He played in 17 games with the Phillies during the tail-end of the 48 campaign and before the start of the 1949 spring training season, Sawyer announced, "the only player sure of a job with the Phillies is Jones."

How did Jones feel about Sawyer's vote of confidence?

"It didn't bother me too much, he declared. "I just decided ! would have to work that much harder."

And work harder he did. During the first week of the campaign, Puddin' Head came to bat four times in one contest and connected for four straight doubles to tie major league record.

"Funny thing about those doubles," mused Jones, "I never knew I was tieing any record or anything like that. I was only swingin' to get on base. They told me about the record after the game.

Jones is the kind of ball player who plods along, playing the game instinctively without burdening himself too much with the fine points of strategy. He sums up his feelings in the matter when he

"I like playing third base because you don't have to think too much. The ball is on you in a second and you either do or you don't."

Most of the time, however, he About the nickname Puddin'

Head, Jones says: "Got that name from Mark

Twain's book. Remember Puddin' lead, the easy-goin' feller who lidn't get in anybody's way?
"Well," Willie grinned, "that's

Score Board

By Lester Rodney



Strikeout Kings Wanted

WHERE OH WHERE are the strikeout kings of yesteryear? A look at the current pitching performances reveals a slacking off in this department. Since Bob Feller set his 348 mark in 1946 and then changed his style, nobody else has come along with a real strikeout record. Last year, despite his shakiness for a long period, Bob still led the AL with 164, a far cry from his record. Brecheen of the Cards led the National with 149, but isn't hitting a fast strikeout pace this year.

Hal Newhouser has been averaging about five per game, which will probably win him the AL title but not come close to any marks. Brooklyn's Ralph Branca is hitting about the same pace. Actually, both are apt to stress strikeouts less rather than more in time to come. There is no little suspicion about Feller's concentration on whiffing in 1946 contributed to the losing of some of his speed and elasticity. It will be recalled that Bob himself announced after that tremendous feat that he would now concentrate on control and winning games instead, so he may have suspected that it did him no good to try blowing 'em all down.

Easter and the "Free Press"

LUKE EASTER, the tremendous rookie slugger playing for Cleveland's San Diego farm in the Pacific Coast League, is hot about the way certain Coast writers are misquoting him and trying to present him in the usual Negro stereotype. They take contemptu-ous liberties with him they never dare with white players. So Easter discovered a scurrilous piece in the sheet called Pacific Coast League Baseball Magazine filled with Stepin Fetchit dialect. The whole thing was sheer fabrication, the writer never having interviewed Easter at all. Freedom of the press, you know. Blazing mad, Easter set about discovering who did the piece, so he could tell him off properly.

At San Francisco, he told a reporter of the "Peoples World," progressive West Coast daily, "Most of the reporters are honest and report what they hear and see. But there have been some in every city who put words in my mouth that I have never said. These reporters try to pretend that I don't know how to speak, that I am

a man who has had no schooling.

"Each day I read in the papers some words I have never spoken, written in an ignorant accent. They're just nonsense words they make up and then pretend that I said them. If they can't report honestly I wish they'd leave me alone. Why don't they judge me on the number of hits, runs batted in and home runs in other words, why can't they treat me as a baseball player?"

Easter went on with emphasis, "I am one of my people. I respect my people. I want to behave in such a way that they'll never be ashamed of me. But what are they going to think when the reporters write that I've got a swelled head? What respect will people have for me when reporters tell them that I'm a showboat or a blowhard? I'm not that way and anybody who knows me could have told the newspapers the truth."

There's a Reason

THEY CAN'T TREAT you as just a baseball player; Luke Easter, because they are prostitutes of the typewriter and their big money newspaper bosses are an important part of the never ceasing propaganda machine which pumps its big lie poison of white supremacy into its readers every day of the week in one form or another. They use not only the newspapers but the movies, radio, television, comic books and even the schoolbooks. Monopoly capitalism, which owns and runs for the profit of a few our whole great and beautiful and productive country, has to keep the people divided, has to conduct a special oppression of the fifteen million Negro Americans above all, and believe me, as long as they get away with it we all suffer from the insanity of depressions in the midst of plenty and war hysteria in the midst of the overwhelming desire for peace.

If this is "politics" in a sports column, it's the only way such a sports question can be honestly be answered. Speaking of the socalled "free press," the prominent Negro spokesman, Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, speaking at a peace rally at Madison Square Garden recently, said, "I'm beginning to ask myself why I should believe the same newspapers which have lied about my people for three hundred years, when they write about the Soviet Union, the countries of Eastern Europe and the 'iron curtain'."

Louis Found Out

JOE LOUIS became familiar with some of these newspaper techniques. An average, normal guy, he was forced to read about himself as a "sullen tiger" and things like that. It's interesting to recall how some of the more vicious columnists built him up as a "superman" after he became champ, a flawless savage fighting machine without weaknesses. What they were doing, of course, was trying to de-humanize Louis, the only resort left to white supremacists when facing someone of Joe's caliber.

Louis himself knew this was nonsense, that there were no supermen in or out of the prize rings, just human beings. He always felt, and expressed, respect for the possibilities of his opponents.

And lo and behold, when he failed to knock out his opponent in a hurry, just continued to be a great fighting champion by winning again, the "very writers" who had created the superman myth now turned on him sneering that he was "overrated, dull witted," etc.

And even after Louis had retired and gone into the promotional field, when you'd think it was all over, he found the same thing all over again in a "press interview" that was turned into a sneering inquisition.

These white superiority guys can't treat Luke Easter as just another ballplayer, or Joe Louis on his merits as a fighter. They are always keenly sensitive to the Negro question in this jimcrow society of ours, something that hasn't always been true of white progressives, unfortunately, in the recent past

NEW PHYSIQUE PHENOM

OUT OF NO-WHERE in the national body building field came Melvin Wells, a 30-yearold Ford worker from Buffalo, to place second in the AAU championship at Cleveland last week in the Mr. America competition. He won top honors for arm and development and most muscle divisions. A veteran of 30 months in the Army and · 14 months overseas, Wells developed an interest in weight lifting and physique and applied himself in his spare time. A member of Local 425, UAW, Wells won the New York State contest, and in the magazine Your Physique it is stated with some little specialization he should become the best built of all time. In unofficial weightlifting, he has already come close to the world record. Wells was an all-round high school star, and won the Buffalo singles title in







THE WORKER'S EDITOR, JOHN GATES, OPENS DEFENSE OF THE '12'

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POLIGE BILL 345



From the Akron Beacon-Journal

Federal Agents **Behind the Scenes**

COLUMUBS, O.-The Federal Bureau of Investigation, in an unprecedented step for a government agency, has intervened and taken over leadership of the lobby of fascist elements promoting the Bartunek-Seibert police state bill.

The FBI has become the guiding agency and is attempting to patch up the weaknesses exhibited by corporation and veterans organizations who had hoped to slip the repressive legislation through the General Assembly without the public gaining knowledge of the contents.

The first open step by the FBI was to frame-up a fake "invasion" of Columbus by Communists "converging from three states." In concocting this lie, the FBI used Dwight L. Matchette, clerk of the Senate, who provided scare headlines for local newspapers with the announcement that the FBI, the Columbus police and the State Highway Patrol had been summoned to "guard the highways and prevent disorder at the state house."

The FBI provocation failed to have the desired effect. Some 400 persons from all sections of Ohio visited with Senators and Representatives during the day

The people's lobby marked a first step in halting the blitzkreig to outlaw all progressive organizations, deny the ballot to minority parties, chain school teachers to a "loy-alty" oath and establish a secret police in Ohio.

It broke through the self-imposed censorship by a majority of the state newspapers.

It forced the sponsors of the bill to consider "rewriting" sections of the measure which have outraged many conservatives as well as liberals.

That State Sen. Joseph Bartunek of Cleveland, a coauthor, is merely a tool in the scheme was revealed at the hearing before the Senate Judiciary Committee. Bartunek stumbled badly, and frequently was unable to answer questions put by Sen. Carl D. Sheppard (R) of Akron.

Bartunek finally retreated with the explanation that he would have to "consult" with unnamed individuals on the

BANKERS GAINING IN CTS SWINDLE

By Elmer O. Fehlhaber

CLEVELAND, O.-The real terms of the transit deal between Mayor Thomas A. Burke and the Reconstruction Finance Corp. were withheld from city council as the municipal legislators were drawn into voting favorably on an ordinance to "approve, accept and agree to" the bankers' swindle.

But the promoters of the \$22,200,000 loan whereby the RFC may transfer the mortgage to private banks and eventually kill municipal ownership are worried that the truth will out over the intent of the plan.

And there is increasing wariness on the part of a number of councilmen who fear for their political futures when the car and bus riding public is handed a higher fare to finance rapid transit for suburbanites.

Nevertheless, at this stage it would appear that Mayor Burke may enlist the support of the necessary two-thirds of council to place the charter amendment on the ballot.

The language of the charter amendment, which surrenders all public control of fares and operations to a banker-picked board, has not yet been made public.

The strategy of the backers of the RFC loan is to hold this bad news off until the latest possible date. In the meantime, they are drawing upon every form of pressure on individual councilmen.

The Cleveland public, which will underwrite the loan, is being put into the position of poor relatives by the allocation of \$16,000,000 for rapid transit for the suburban residents who will not have to advance a penny.

A study of the system's finances under the private ownership of the Cleveland Railway Co. and under municipal ownership reveals why the banking interests are so anxious to regain control of the solvent system.

The city acquired the transit system in April, 1943, from the Cleveland Railway Co. In 1941, the fixed assets of the property was set by the company at \$31,067,-336, although this was obviously an inflated figure for the year following these assets were valued by the municipal board at \$29,258,686. The equipment was wholly inadequate. Under private ownership, additions of new equipment and maintenance work were placed in a secondary position to the regular payment of 6 percent dividends guaranteed under the Taylor grant adopted in 1926.

In the last year of private ownership the stockholders had shares they valued at \$31,394,400, but this, too, was inflationary for these interests were purchased by the city for \$17,465,787.

This debt was retired in full in 1946 under the new municipal ownership-and



the retirement was made possible by the increased fares paid by the working class of Cleveland.

As of March, 1949, the fixed assets of the system had grown to more than \$37,-000,000 as contrasted with slightly over \$31,000,000 under the last year of private ownership.

And on the other side of the ledger, the fixed liabilities had been sharply cut by 1949 to slightly more than \$7,000,000 as compared to liabilities of nearly \$35,-000 000 under private ownership.

CZECH UNION HONORS FRENCH POLICE VICTIM

PRAGUE (ALN).-In a gesture of solidarity, the Czechoslovak building workers' union has named its new apprenticeship center for young workers after Max Chaptal, French building worker killed by police while helping French mine strikers on the picketlien last winter. A statue of Chaptal had been erected in front of the center and his widow and two children have been invited to spend three months, with all expenses paid, as guests of Czech workers. Czechoslovak unions were among those which made the largest fraternal conmineustrikers in their long-drawn OXIDE, SIRRIGERRE

THOSE WHO BENEFIT:

The banks.

The large downtown stores.

The suburban rapid transit riders.

THOSE WHO LOSE:

The Cleveland car and bus riders who will pay higher fare.

Cleveland real estate owners and business men in the outlying neighborhoods.

Employees of the transit system whose wages can

Negro employees of the system who will lose any and to lave guarantees against discrimination

TWENTY ROURTH WARD

Victory Won

CLEVELAND, O .- For the first time in the history of the building trades nationally, a union, the AFL Painters, has won a health and welfare fund to be paid for by the

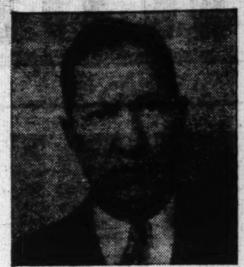
employers. Hampered by the leadership of other building trades unions who wanted to make a complete surrender to the bosses, the painters, led by Courtney D. Ward, secretary of the union's District Council, went on strike for 17 days and won a five-cent-an-hour increase and another seven and one-half cent to be applied to the health and welfare fund.

It is obvious that had all the building trades joined together against the employers that the financial gain for the workers would have been higher.

public statement on the eve of the painters' negotiations calling upon all unions in the industry to

\$2.17½ cents per hour.

with a \$1,000 life insurance policy, \$60 for a wife's pregnancy.



COURTNEY WARD

But Jack Burns, head of the and provide payment up to \$1,000 Building Trades Council, issued a for accidental death, dismemberment or loss of sight.

pass up wage increases this year. ing for 13 weeks, and payment of Despite the stab in the back, \$6 per day for hospital expenses the painters went ahead with the strike which brought them victory. The painters' scale now is addition, each member and his dependents will receive payment The health and welfare fund up to \$150 for surgical expenses will cover each union member with \$60 for laboratory fees and

Akron Paper Bartunek Bi

AKRON, O.-Another leading Ohio newspaper, the Akron Beacon-Journal, has come out in opposition to the Bartunek-Seibert police state bill.

Earlier the Toledo Blade denounced the bill while the semifascist Cleveland Plain Dealer acked the measure.

The Beacon - Journal declared that Section 5, requiring registration of practically every organization in the state "would be an indefensible and probably unconstitutional infringement on the rights of citizens freely to organize for any lawful purpose."

thought and speech so greatly that than the capitalists themselves. precious.

cious. It oguht to be defeated.

comparing various systems of gov- ment and prosperity." dent might develop a preference be accepted by organized labor." for Communism. As soon as word got to a zealous prosecutor, the UE Win Vote teacher would be on the griddle for directly or indirectly teaching the overthrow of the government of the United States."

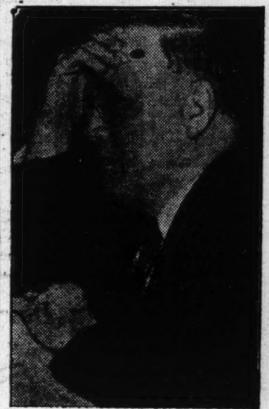
Billionaire Bank

CLEVELAND, O.-The Cleveland Trust Co. is listed as one of 56 corporations in the United States with assets of more than a billion dollars.

The Cleveland bank, financial center of Ohio trusts, has assets amouning to \$1,100,154,477.

No Beds Available

CLEVELAND, O. - Turned away from Mount Sinai hospital because of "lack of space," Stanley for the Ohio Edition of The Worker S. Schaeman, 63, a railroad con- to Room 203, 1426 W. 3rd St. ductor, was admitted the following day at Doctors Hospital where he



WILLIAM GREEN

CLEVELAND, O. - The aging Speaking generally of Senate William Green, president of the Bill 345, the Beacon-Journal said: American Federation of Labor, Such a law would throw so many demonstrated at the recent execuinnocent persons under suspicion tive council meeting here, that he and restrict the freedoms of has more confidence in capitalism

it would destroy some of the Green and his associates said American rights that we hold most they saw no indication "of a depression befalling America in the "The Bartunek-Seibert bill is vi- future" and that "on the contrary, all signs point to a period of high "... suppose that a teacher, in production, substantial employ-

ernment, explains thoroughly the Long time members of the AFL Communist system and, a day later locals here recalled that Green hints that our method of govern- took the same stand at the start of ment is something less than per- the Hoover depression and at that fect. As a result of a factual pres- time denounced unemployment entation some impressionable stu- insurance "as a dole that will never

CLEVELAND, O.-Local 735, United Electrical and Radio Workers, CIO, defeated a companyinspired group in a decertification election at the Foundry Equipment Co. by a vote of 36 to 25.

CORPORATE PROFITS UP

In 1939 corporate profits before taxes were \$6.5 billion. In 1948 the total take was \$34 billion.



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Republic Air **Pollution Brings** Death in Valley

CLEVELAND, O.-Tom Girdler's Republic Steel Corp., which has been bragging about its expanded production with vastly increased profits, is largely responsible for air pollution in the Cuyahoga Valley.

The pollution is so bad that it has been responsible for many hundreds of deaths from respiratory diseases and, according to Dr. Clarence A. Mills of Cincinnati, "the killings at Donora, Pa., are mere chicken feed compared with what has been happening here in Cleveland."

Dr. Mills and Philip Sadtler, a Philadelphia chemist, were employed by irate home owners in the valley who stormed a session of the City Council with a demand that the administration take action against air pollution. Some 500 residents attended the council meeting.

Mayor Thomas A. Burke pulled one of his typical hedging answers when he said that "we have had air pollution for some time." It was evident to the audience that the Mayor will need vigorous prodding before he will take any ac- Dr. Mills said,

On the same day the protest was made an official of Republic, President Charles M. White, boasted to a group of newspapermen touring the corporation's mills that while in 1932 annual business trial plants in the valley was the amounted to \$47,000,000, 'that's

pany was pushing the develop-ment of continuous casting and that this procedure would cause his own air-polluted sewage, but the loss of jobs by eliminating he moves out to the beautiful Ohio blooming and soaking mills.

"If Cleveland's dirtier districts The evil of air pollution, which could achieve the same low respira- has drawn the fire of thousands of



TOM GIRDLER

year from these three causes alone,

He had reference to pneumonia, tuberculosis and lung cancer.

Ohio has one of the highest rates of death from cancer of all the states in the nation.

Chemist Sadtler charged that Republic Steel of all the indusworst offender.

White revealed that the com- the open hearths, the blast fur- production of automobile parts. tax laws.

Valley or Shaker Heights."

tory disease rates that prevail in small home owners and residents the cleaner suburban areas there in the steel mill area, is expected would be roughly 180 fewer men to become one of the major issues and 70 fewer women dying each of the municipal election campaign



ROBERT A. TAFT

Taft Boosts **Fascist Link**

CINCINNATI, O.-U. S. Sena- property. fascist dictator of Spain.

His announcement came after a series of conference between heads the future. of Ohio corporations and the State Department in Washington where

Firestone, of the Firestone Tire & ing class. deposits in Spain.

Layoff at Tapco

shop Thompson Products, Inc., out. has dropped nearly 250 workers Cov. Lausche has made no fight public by the LaFollette commit-

Corporations Howl Over Tax Equality

COLUMBUS, O.-Ohio's profit-swollen corporations have thrown up their hands in a protestation of holy horror over the idea that they should pay taxes on an equal basis with other residents of the state.

What's more, they're getting

The Big Business lobby has successfully bottled up Senate Bill Strikebreaking 335 by State Sen. Howard Metzenbaum which would repeal the law whereby corporations are taxed only 50 percent of valuation on Private Army personal property.

Never lacking in greed, the corporations have been successful in of 250 men in five districts, whose getting a wide variety of manu-activity can be financed by private facturing equipment and factories corporations and used for strikethemselves classified as personal breaking purposes, are to be set up

who looked with disapproval upon bankruptcy of the big National Senate. the trials of the Axis war criminals, Tube Co. wins its clasification case. is in favor of establishment of full Metzenbaum estimates that Cuya- ure was the notorious State Senarelations with General Franco, the hoga County alone will have to pay tor Joseph Bartunek, a co-author back some \$2,000,000 to corpora- of Senate Police Bill 345. tions and sustain a heavy loss in Not a single labor organization

> merce have provided an "answer" unions. for the deficits in the various sub-

are reported surveying rich mineral friends in both the Republican ment and supplies by corporations.

a very small month for us now. Most dangerous, he said, were from its payroll because of over-against the existing "help-the-rich" tee which exposed their anti-labor

away with it as they have been one of Getting

COLUMBUS, O.-Armed forces in Ohio under the terms of a bill tor Robert A. Taft, the politician Lorain County, as a result, faces passed by both the House and

One of the authors of the meas-

spoke up against the measure The various Chambers of Com- which is aimed primarily at the

The new military organization Franco is getting priority attention. divisions. In a growing number of will be operated by leaders in the Ohio trusts have a deep interest Ohio cities they have succeeded American Legion and the Reserve in the exploitation of Spain and in securing the enactment of a Officers' Association. In most cases see the prospect of driving British non-graduated payroll tax which these officers will be industrial and capital from that country. Harvey shifts the tax burden on the work- business executives loaned out to the new militia.

Rubber Co., was in Madrid recent- At the same time Senate Bill The bill provides for considerly for a discussion of an economic 335 was being successfully smoth-able expansion and specifically agreement. Ohio steel corporations ered, the business lobby, with makes legal the donation of equip-

and Democratic camps, was hang- The new policing set-up is the ing on to the Ohio sales tax, which kind of semi-private army that was weighs heaviest on low income used in Ohio and many other groups and making certain that states for strikebreaking in the CLEVELAND, O.-The open no state income tax bill is reported early days of the CIO. The private armies were discredited before the

Illail Ba

Cleveland, O.

TRADITION NO HELP

Editor, Ohio Edition:

The next time someone gets up in a public meeting and talks about the glorious liberal tradition of Cleveland I'll be tempted to boo.

Yes, we did have a Tom L. Johnson. Yes, Robert LaFollette carried Cleveland when he ran for president.

But what do we have today? A Judge Connell. A bunch of labor leaders that don't even bother to conceal the fact that they're for the bosses first and the workers last. A couple of old political parties that hate the guts of real

I think it's time we put tradition aside. You can't live on it forever.

Most of the men and women who fought with Tom Johnson are dead or in retirement. You can't win victories with ghosts or the dis-

Let's build a living tradition in Cleveland. The people will respond. But don't call on the wishywashy liberals or the people with names. Start with John Doe, the man at the bench. That's

where you'll find your leaders.

Forget some of these high-priced meetings that workers can't attend.

Let's go out and ring doorbells and talk to the man and woman who are getting the dirty end of the stick. They'll surprise you with their warm response.

SHOP STEWARD.

WANTS MAYORALTY CANDIDATE Cleveland, O.

Editor, Ohio Edition:

What a choice we face in this year's election! Tommy Burke, the Democrat who satisfies the Republicans, and Franklin (Pig in the) Polk.

There's a golden opportunity this year for the Progressive Party, or an independent candidate. As matters now stand there will be little interest in the election, but if a forthright can-didate gets into the field he can make the old line parties sweat. TWENTY-FOURTH WARD

ASKS ABOUT NAACP

Youngstown, O.

Editor, Ohio Edition:

I read about Mrs. Washington, the widow of the Republic steel worker, in your paper and

want to praise you for what you are doing.

It is too bad the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People here does not do something. I went to a meeting and they had the police chief give a talk. I've never met any police chief yet, and I've lived in the South and in Ohio, who ever defended the rights of the Negro people. HOUSEWIFE.

CRITICIZE MURRAY

Campbell, O.

Editor, Ohio Edition:

You ought to come into our town and hear what the steel workers are saying about Phil Murray. I've never heard them so bitter. They don't expect anything out of the wage negotia-tions and of course the grievance question gets worse each day.

In one of the mills at McDonald the men are talking seriously about approaching John L. Lewis for a charter with his union. The men remember that Lewis was a real fighter in the early CIO days, and has been fighting for the coal miners.

I doubt if it is the right thing to do, that is, break away from the steel union. It would be better to work to straighten things out. But if an election was held today between the United Mine Workers and the United Steel Workers Murray wouldn't have a chance.

By the way, the Republican candidate for mayor here got 27 votes. Roosevelt really ruined the Republican Party here for good. STEEL WORKER.

COMMENT ON CUMMINGS

Columbus, O.

Editor, Ohio Edition: If the jury in the Communist trial reacts like

the Negro people here to Bill Cummings be-trayal of his pwa people there's only one answer OXIDE STRIKERAGI

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Bare Plot to Smear USSR as Anti-Semitic

By Robert Friedman

The New York Herald Tribune slipped. It wrote to the American Jewish Labor Council when it meant to write to the Jewish Labor Committee. The slip provided concrete evidence of the fact that the monopoly press in the United States is engaged in a that they could crook their little fingers to get Gerhart Eis-

planned and concerted drive to smear the Soviet Union and people's democracies as anti-Semitic.

Consider: Within the space of a few short months, Newsweek magazine, the New York Times, Post and World-Telegram, to name just prois a few, have run series purporting to "prove" that the Soviet Union is an anti-Semite state. The articles parrot each other with remarkable regularity. Like factory shifts which spell one another, one publication starts its smearing when another subsides.

TRIB NEXT And then the progressive Amer-

ican Jewish Labor Council got this letter, dated May 9:

"Centlemen: "I should like very much to obtain a copy of the report made by your organization some months ago in Atlantic City, detailing evidences of anti-Semitism in the Soviet sphere. It has come to my attention that your organization is in a position to have valid sources of information on this important

"May I, although belatedly, congratulate you on bringing it to the attention of the public.

"Sincerely, Keith Spaulding "Night Desk

"Herald Tribune News Service" Is it not curious that the Herald Tribune "news" service should suddenly desire a "report;" admittedly months old, on the alleged anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union?

Is it not curious that the Herald Tribune's request coincided with the almost synchronized publication of press stories on the identical subject?

At any rate, the Herald Tribune slipped. Its plea for manufactured evidences" went not to the reactionary Jewish Labor Committee, creature of David Dubinsky and can Jewish Labor Council.

COUNCIL'S ANSWER In a letter to Whitelaw Reid,

editor-in-chief of the Herald Trib- to print the facts. une, the Council declared:

News Service has, of course, ev- Jews. ish Labor Committee go beyond the Soviet Union. News Service lays claim.

contents were fabricated in their prove it. entirety by a clique of professional Result? Faced with the evidence American Jewry for the firm So-sues facing labor—the fight against concluded. "It belongs to the hate-mongers whose design it is to of its deception, the Times printed viet support to the national aspi-speedup, layoffs, for a wage in-workers. It is not the property generate distrust between the peo- a tiny story in the back pages ad- rations of Israel. ple of America and those of East- mitting neither error nor guilt, but

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230 West 41st Street, New

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> h Spelding Berald Tribune News Service

ABOVE IS THE LETTER from the New York Herald Tribune asking for ammunition to be used on its sector of the anti-Soviet campaign. The Tribune meant to write the reactionary Jewish Labor Committee for "evidences" of Soviet anti-Semitism, wrote the progressive American Jewish Labor Council instead.

its numerous delegations to Jewish anti-Semitism by placing, after port issued by the Jewish Labor with the same charge. Committee."

public as it was to peddle the ing: anti-Soviet lies.

une's response was? It has refused the last year, 85 were won by

"It is apparent from the refer- Herald Tribune knows what it ence to the 'report made in Atlan- wants to print and what it intends tic City, that this communication to censor concerning the Soviet was intended for the Jewish Labor Union, the democracies of Eastern Committee. The Herald Tribune Europe, and their treatment of the

ery right to request copies of re- Three times in the last weeks, ports and other pertinent informa- the Daily Worker has exposed the shortened his name, or used the tion. The contents of this request, brazen use of lies and forgeries in however, prejudge the validity of the Times, the Post and Newsthe information desired and the week, all purporting to "prove" congratulations extended the Jew- the existence of anti-Semitism in

the limits of objectivity and pro- When the New York Times ran fessional ethics to which your a story (March 20) charging that the Soviet humor magazine Kro-"If this communication is the kodil printed an anti-Semitic carsole responsibility of its overzeal- toon, and used the word "Zhid," a ous and biased author Mr. Keith slurring word for Jews, in the cap-Spaulding, your newspaper should tion, the Daily Worker proved the certainly be interested to inform Times lied. We proved the word its readers that the Jewish Labor was actually the name of Andre monopoly press has decided that the elected officials of all affiliated North Atlantic Pact, fight for civ Committee's Atlantic City report Cide, the French author. We it can best peddle the big lie that unions, whether they like it or not, rights measures and social legis on so-called, Anti-Semitism in charged that the Times lied in al- Soviet Socialism and fascism are This cynical edict is contrary to lation such as large scale housing Eastern Europe, has been checked leging that the figures in the car- identical by convincing us that the every basic principle of trade and elimination of "dictatorship" by this organization and found toon were hook-nosed caricatures, Soviet regime is anti-Semitic. And union democracy." to be completely fraudulent. Its and we reproduced the cartoon to incidentally, halt and reverse the THE DECLARATION, a fun-

em Europe and the Soviet Union." granting only that the Soviet car-

Herald Tribune were obtained by azine, Literary Gazette, showed communities throughout Europe. the pen-names of Jewish writers, They are facts which are detailed their original Jewish names, in paand demonstratable, facts which rentheses. The Times followed on "completely belie the spurious re- May 2, and the Post, on May 3,

Again, the Daily Worker ex-URGES PRINTING OF FACTS posed the lies. The Daily Worker The Council asked the Herald reproduced part of the page of the Tribune whether it was as willing Russian newspaper Pravda, of other rightists, but to the Ameri- to make such facts known to the April 10, which proved the follow-

> That of several hundred Sta-Need you ask what the Trib- lin Prizes in art, science, etc. for Jews-and the Jews constitute less of the CIO International Fur and The reasons are obvious. The than two percent of the Soviet population.

> > That in every single instance where a writer or artist used a professional name, next to that name, in parentheses, was placed his original name. This was done diminutive, "Sasha," for "Alexander." The original name, without the slightest relation to the person's national origin, was to Soviet custom.

Clemens.)

"Soviet anti-Semitism," remember In the rest of the Council's letter, the progressive Jewish organization documented numerous facts on the "rapid reconstruction of Jewish cultural and economic life in Eastern European countries" fraud that the Soviet Union is anti-Semitic.

Soviet anti-Semitism, remember how how the litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO. They flout and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO. They flout and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO. They flout and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO. They flout and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO. They flout and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO. They flout and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO. They flout and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO. They flout and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO. They flout and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO. They flout and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO. They flout and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO. They flout and litical persecution in our country—we find that certain leaders of CIO. They flout and litical persecution in our cou

British Workers, Communists Rally o Defend Eisler

If the striped pants set in the State Department thought ler back into their clutches without a murmer from the

British people, they reckoned Committee was formed at a meet-without British workers and, in committee was formed at a meet-Party of Great Britain.

tossed into a Birmingham jail and Union. held for extradition hearings at the Bow St. Court in London-all at the behest of the State De- have protested to the Home Secpartment-a great Eisler defense campaign has been in the making.

Eisler was due to appear in Bow St. Court again on Friday,
May 27, after a magistrate, overriding defense protests, granted
States

Stat State Department lawyers on Tuesday a four-day delay. Mean-while, Eisler was ordered back to Brixton Prison, without bail.

It was before that prison last Sunday that 600 demonstrators gathered to demand Eisler's imthe prison walls called out: "We are speaking to you, Gerhart Eisler. Can you hear our voices?"

A SERIES of protest rallies on the rally assailed "the dirty work the Eisler case has heard such of the Wall Street bankers who ordered Britain to arrest Eisler." and speakers called on the Labor government to "apologize to Eisler" and "stop serving as the slaves physicist and author of Fear, Wa of American big business."

ish resentment at the govern- Manchester, wired their "profour ment's role in the arrest and ex- indignation" at the arrest to t tradition effort, a Release Eisler Home Secretary.

the first place, the Communist ing attended by representatives of such organizations as the National Council for Civil Liberties, Brit-From the very first day that ish Council for German Democthe German anti-fascist refugee racy and the North London Diswas hauled off a Polish vessel, trict, Amalgamated Engineering

Four trade unions, including the Edinburgh Trades Council, retary over the arrest, and Edinburgh University students demonstrated with placards stating, students, along with visiting students from Germany, also assailed the seizure of Eisler.

Scottish miners contributed \$200 to Eisler's defense, after Scottish area officials of the National Union of Mineworkers apmediate release. Communist proved the aid upon the request speakers on a sound truck outside of the Communist Party and the Council for German Democracy.

speakers as Paul Robeson and Konni Zilliacus, M.P.; Pro P. M. S. Blackett, Nobel Priz and the Bomb, with 50 lecture IN OTHER indications of Brit- and students of the University

ur Workers Blas CIO 'Obey' Edict

The action of the CIO Executive Board was brande "cynical edict" in a declaration of union policy adopte unanimously this week by the International Executive Boar

Leather Workers Union. "We reject and scorn any order or in- real mass fight for the repeal sinuation," the statement ascerted, Taft-Hartley, the lack of "det that union representatives on the mined fight for wage increa CIO Board must be rubber stamps and other improvements (so for the right wing regardless of officials even proposing no the wishes of the membership.

charge that:

leadership, which is addressed to of autonomous democratic right the affiliated international and na- of unions. tional unions of CIO and to their millions of members, states that turn to its tradition of "progressive placed in parentheses, according whatever may be decided by the militant and democratically-deter In the same way, a book by whether economic or political-re- which its power and prestige were Mark Twain in our own libraries, gardless of how harmful or in- originally based," to stop raiding will carry on the frontispiece, the jurious it may be to the interests rally the workers for a fourth parenthetical insertion, (Samuel L. of the American workers and round of wage increases, discorn American people-must be ac- tinue support for such war meas The reasons are obvious. The cepted by the membership and by ures as the Marshall Plan an

growing respect and admiration of damental treatment of the basic is- millions of American workers," crease, peace-added that "in the a few leaders. It is now the du When next you hear or read of face of the impending new eco- and the obligation of every sing nomic crisis and far-reaching po-member of the CIO to fight in the administration of the affairs built, to enable the CIO to resu Union and how the "free press" of the CIO, and they adopt poli-

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It called upon the CIO to re leadership of CIO on all issues, mined policies and program upon the CIO."

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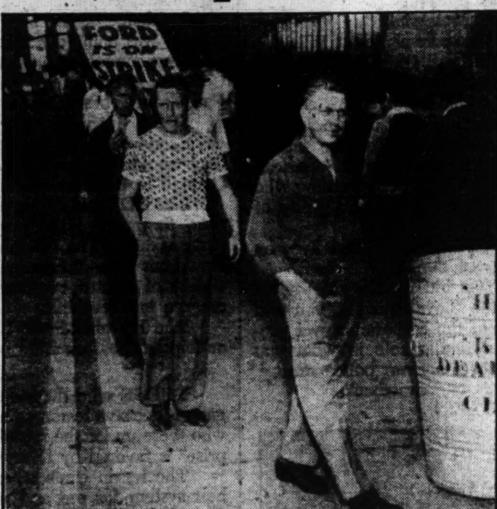
One Cent More Cut Off GM Hourly Rate

DETROIT.-GM workers are due for another one-cent cut in their hourly wage rates. That makes the score minus three cents since Walter Reuther's pet wagecutting escalator contract went into effect last May 29.

At the same time a basic threecent raise goes into effect. This three cents plus the six cents basic raise last year constitute the sum total of wage increases over a two-year period which cannot be eaten away cent by cent every three months if the government index says the cost of living has dropped,

A CM workers still stands to lose five more cents of the whole cost-of-living adjustment received last year. That's what will happen if the index keeps droppingunless, of course, the GM unionists decide to scrap the contract and pitch in for a fourth round.

That's why GM workers now are watching as workers elsewhere fight for and win honest-to-goodness boosts and are kicking themselves for falling for the escalator



SOLIDARITY FROM CLEVELAND-UE strikers from Fewick plant, in foreground, join picketline at Ford Rouge.

Militant Bendix Strikers Act to Stop Scab Work

Special to the Michigan Worker dix workers came out full force last week and for the first time stopped 1,500 office workers and supervisory employes from en-

tering the plant gates. They suspected that some of the non-strikers had aided in the removal of dies and brake parts contained through writs and injunctions by Ford, Hudson, Packard, Kaiser-Fraser, Lincoln, Cadillac, Nash and Willys-Overland.

A sheriff's writ to remove Willys' dies was foiled when pickets sat down on the street, their bodies preventing trucks from going through.

six pickets.

Bendix Corp. is all out to smash the picket line and the union has filed a charge of unfair labor practice against the company and four of its customers before the regional NLRB. The union complaint hits the Bendix version of a "runaway shop," declaring:

plant to avoid collective bargain-

here charge. Just 30 minutes.

SOUTH BEND.-Striking Ben- 'UAW Must Quit Working on Struck Dies'

DETROIT.-Hudson UAW Local 154 is outraged by the fact that UAW members are working on dies removed from the struck Bendix plant.

This technique of strikebreaking (removal of work from struck plants into other plants) which had such devastating effects on the union at Campbell, Wyant and Cannon Foundry," Local 154 Executive Board declared, "is effective for the employers only because the Internatinal Union permits UAW members in other plants to perform work normally done by the striking worker. . .

"This formula of strikebreaking (the Bendix plan) if permitted to destroy the Bendix Local, can be used by the auto companies to break any local union because of the company's knowledge in advance that other union members will perform the jobs of the strikers."

The Local asked the UAW International to instruct all Locals not to work on jobs formerly doen by striking UAW members.

A 500-strong picket line sealed speedup up through elimination and (3) drop the million dollar the plant shut a few hours after of downtime, (2) reach an agree- Taft-Hartley suit filed against the 12 policemen, brandishing night- ment on rates and standards union as a result of an earlier fivesticks, had herded 20 plant guards which would prevent speedup, day unauthorized stoppage.

Ford Strikers Can Forge Victory On All Counts

RANK AND FILE pressure of the 62,000 Ford strikers can work miracles. Under this pressure last week Walter Reuther retreated from his stand that the strike is limited to a single department issue. He issued an ultimatum to Ford for simultaneous bargaining on the wage, pension and contract demands. The Communist and Progressive Ford strikers were the first to call upon Reuther to take this stand.

But that's only one down and two to go. Reuther now has to remove Ford's argument about meeting GM competition by launching an immediate drive against wage cuts in CM.

He must carry out the Local 600 demand for a short-term holiday and Cadillac Square demonstration in which all of labor backs the Ford strikers.

Reuther must be told that the strikers will not stand for any retreat on the speedup issue and that it must be settled with a concrete cutback of speedup before the strike ends.



THAT'S THE basic issue in this strike. Ford has made it clear that he wants the unlimited right to suck superprofits from the Ford workers' blood by speedup, wage cuts and "long-range company security" (a fancy name for union insecurity). Hence a victory against speedup is the opening wedge for a victory on wage increases, company paid for pensions, against layoffs in tool and die, maintenance and transport for the elimination of all the "union insecurity" clauses of the contract.

A retreat or phony settlement on the speedup issue would be the opening wedge for Ford to carry out his full program of making the Ford workers bear the brunt of economic depression.

HENCE ALL who prate that the strike can be solved by a settlement which is favorable to both sides, which will give Ford what he wants and the strikers what they want, are merely paving the way for a rank betrayal of the workers.

Such a betrayal has been prevented so far by the united stand of the Ford strikers on the speedup demands. This unity extends from Tommy Thompson to the Progressives and Communists in the Rouge and includes Reuther's followers in final assembly who launched the strike on May 5.

However, vigilance is the price of liberty. The strikers should therefore take note of the following signs:

(1) The Ford Motor Co. letter of May 15 calling for wage cuts, cuts in production costs at the workers' expense and tougher company-security clauses did not specifically rule out a pension deal. If Ford can get the other things he demands, he loses nothing by offering a pension paid for by the Ford workers them-

(2) Either through Federal Mediation or in backdoor talks a deal may be made which plays up a seeming victory on pensions in return for a union retreat on speedup, wages and contract issues. Such back-door talks have happened in the past. They can happen again.

(3) There's a basic clash between Ford and the united Ford strikers. But while Reuther nominally appears as the militant spokesman of the labor front in this battle, there's no basic clash between his views and that of Ford.

HERE ARE THE FACTS: Reuther says he merely asks Ford for the same setup on production schedules as exists in CM. But CM, equally with Ford, is rampant with speedup. Reuther says he favors "reductions in the unit costs of produc-

"The Ford Co. has been spending ever since the war substantially more to increase the producing capacity of the men in our plants than it has made in profits. . . . The difference is coming

out of past profits." So Ford and Reuther see eye to eye on improved techniques. But Ford is more frank than Reuther and concedes the new techniques are used to increase the "producing capacity of men" (in plain words, to speed them up).

Strike Long Brewing Because of Ford's Speedup on B Building Line

"An employer can't move his By a "B" Building Striker return to automobile production. voted on several occasions to use out relief periods to service their DEARBORN.-Much has been The "B" Building workers have the provisions of the contract (the bodies. If they take this time on ing duties or coerce or interfere said and written just in the last consistently urged their building, right to strike) on the speedup their own, they are then comwith the rights of employes."

The Bendix management shows no signs of meeting the union's demands to (1) reinstate 47 piece-workers fired for refusing to be since the end of the war and the "B" Building workers have workers fired for refusing to be since the end of the war and the "B" Building workers have workers fired for refusing to be since the end of the war and the "B" Building workers have the solice work over production about the speedup in the building workers have by the "B" Building workers have the "B" Building workers have the solice work over production about the speedup in the building workers for the "B" Building workers have the "B" Building workers have the solice work over production about the speedup in the building workers for the state of the solice work over production about the speedup in the building workers for the state of the state of

When David got home that night his wife

noticed that his face looked strange. They dis-

cussed it, but thought that the blotches would

clear up. The next day his fellow workers pointed

out that something must be wrong. He was per-

That was the beginning of a long series of treatments that took David from corporation first

aid to Grand Rapids, to Chicago. One treatment

was painful in after effects, but David got no bet-

ter. Exposure to sun, wind, light from his welder's

torch is unbearable, because all the pigmenta-

o Compensation!

the action we are now taking.

the building is this:

on the Ford trim line (the speed Production is still 384 jobs for of the line) was three minutes, the day. which means that every three minutes a completed job came off power on the assembly lines, the the eight-hour day.

minutes a completed job comes off ate jobs.

84 jobs per day.

work for reasons of their own, no replacements are made. This does THE PROBLEM of speedup in not mean, however, that the production for that day is cut in ac-Last December, the cycle time cordance with the manpower.

Because of the lack of maneach line. The production figure foremen pitch in and help the last December was 300 jobs for the eight-hour day. foremen pitch in and help the workers for a short period of time. This is because of the com-Now, five months later, the pany's arbitrary refusal to supply cycle time is two and a half minutes, which means that every 21/2 power to maintain their immedi-

the line, with a total daily pro- The company also insists that duction of 384 jobs, an increase of workers make up lost production caused by matters beyond their control, such as bad paint jobs, bad metal obsylete, list salgain

Corp., where David has worked for 13 years, accompanied a Michigan state official into the welding department. With them they carried a

Three years ago a representative of the 1900

ST. IOSEPH.-Thirty minutes of corporation _

carelessness destroyed David Kelm's face, workers

This week, three years afterwards, David Kelm, 48, his face covered constantly by salve,

learned that under Michigan law no compensation

need be paid, unless he develops a cancer. What

a prospect for his wife and daughter!

machine for checking air. For 30 minutes the "The company ought to put David Kelm was used at David's work station, directed on a life person for that," one worker insisted that he heard the hortible newstill "the worker insisted the hortible newstill the hortible newstill the worker insisted the hortible newstill the hortible newstill the worker insisted the hortible newstill the aves, unbanunately, in the recent past.

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suaded to go to first aid.

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FBI 'Patriot' Ray Abbaticchio

To Ray J. Abbaticchio, Jr.:

In your capacity as special agent for the FBI in Cleveland, you have taken occasion to use the word "patriot" when one of your stool-pigeons occupies the stand in the legal conspiracy against the national leaders of the Communist Party.

The very word, "patriot," must pucker on the mouth of you, the Judas paymaster.

That this trial is a frame-up is best known by two groups—the intended victims, and you and your fellow agents who have manufactured the "evidence" and commanded your bribed provocateurs to lie with rehearsed monotony.

Patriotism — can you be acquainted with the word in view of your recent conferences with the Associated Industries, the notorious strikebreaking agency whose exposure by the LaFollette Committee caused every honest citizen to recoil with disgust?

In the history of mankind, the passer of the tainted coin has ever been a stranger to loyalty and honor.

Fascism does not alarm your "patriotic"

Your agents, like lice, infest every public gathering of citizens pledged to peace and democracy.

But on this Memorial Day you have no concern for the ceremonies at Villa San Bernardo at Bedford, Ohio, where a memorial will be conducted for Msgr. Joseph Tiso, the priest who betrayed his country to become Hitler's Slovak dictator.

This is the Msgr. Tiso, whose actions caused the death of captured American airmen in World War II, the Quisling who was executed after being found guilty of high treason.

The spirit of the fascist Tiso lives on

in the ideology of the FBI.

As Msgr. Tise bid for the role of executioner of the Slovak people, you and your hirelings of the corporation war promoters, seek a similar role in what you hope will be an American police state.

But there is one drawback.

THE PEOPLE.



THE FASCIST TISO, who betrayed his country to become Hitler's agent and puppet in Slovakia, is shown here meeting with Hitler in Berlin after the Nazi rape of Czechoslovakia.

Bar Head Raps Connell

CLEVELAND, O.—With a redfaced Judge James C. Connell in the audience, John H. Price, new president of the Cuyahoga County Bar Association, whipped out with stinging criticism of Connell for violating constitutional rights in the Fawick Airflex strike.

Price declared the \$2,340,000 bond set for strikers was "fantastic" and commended the Court of Appeals for reducing the amount. Price also expressed the belief that Connell should have removed himself from the case.

Price was particularly critical of the statement by Connell that if the strikers raised the unheard of bond he would increase the amount.

The livid Connell cried out that the labor-hating press had been printing "damnable lies." DENNIS
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BUCKEYE BRIEFS

WORD HAS gone out to the corporations of Cleveland not to bother with contributions to the Republican campaign fund in the mayoralty election this year. Democratic Mayor Thomas Burke is rated as satisfactory to Big Business interests...

Evidence of the lack of interest in local Republican success was pointedly illustrated in the naming of a GOP

planning committee. On the committee is Common Pleas Judge James Connell, the Fawick strikebreaker.

If the Republican corporation backers were serious about the mayoralty election they wouldn't make the blunder of putting Connell in the limelight as a leader.

The GOP will dig up a candidate, however, to preserve the pretense of a two-party system. The Chamber of Commerce crowd has by no means overlooked the possibility of a third, progressive political grouping that can

emerge in Cleveland.

The Bartunek-Seibert Police State Bill is intended to anticipate the formation of a people's party.

THOSE who dictate the affairs of the state of Ohio gave a decisive lesson to a few lesser capitalist "upstarts" who were under the mistaken impression that "free enterprise" is favored by those who preach it.

The lesson came when the promoters of a conveyor belt system for ore and coal between Lake Erie to the Ohio Valley sought permission from the state legislature to go ahead with the project.

The banking, railroad and mining lobbies pushed the buttons and demonstrated conclusively just who owns the General Assembly. The belt was defeated.

THE DROP in steel production is not far away and with it mass layoffs. The bulletin of the Cleveland Trust Co. predicts a decline in both steel and auto, and the magazine Steel reports that "producers are drawing on order backlogs as new buying continues to decline."

GOVERNOR Frank J. Lausche declared that the Slovene poet, John Zorman of Cleveland, "had more to do with shaping my life than anyone else."

We don't know Zorman, but it's hardly fair for him to take the entire rap.

THE ENDING of the Berlin blockade brought no joy to Akron's rubber corporations. A partial report on the airlift shows that the planes used more than 10,000 main wheel tires alone. Vehicles attached to the airports—this is not counting all the thousands of secondary vehicles—required 6,000 tires.

BUT THERE was good news from another front for one of the large rubber companies—Goodyear. At Goodyear Local 2, United Rubber Workers, CIO, the runoff for the presidency was between C. V. Wheeler and John D. House. Both men are looked upon by the corporation as "co-operative."

DOROTHY FULDHEIM, the radio lecturer, once posed as a liberal commentator. Shortly after the war she ran into sponsorship trouble in Cleveland.

Dorothy apparently has learned how to trim her sails. Speaking before the Democratic Women's Organization of Greater Cleveland, she promoted Bernice Pyke for Con-

Mrs. Pyke was one of the leaders of the Democratic clique headed by Burr Gongwer who repeatedly failed to put any energy into the campaign behind the late Franklin D. Roosevelt.



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'Assembly Line' Justice Condemns 7 Negroes to Die

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Shanghai, World's Fourth City, Welcomes Liberation Armies

A North China News Agency dispatch describes the strategy that liberated Shanghai and is now closing in on the last "capital" of the Kuomintang forces—Canton.

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National Board Acts to Split CIO by Ultimatum to Unions

The recent meeting of the top CIO officials reviewed and note taken of the meaning of some of their decisions—as seen by The Worker's labor editor, George Morris.

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The South and the Nation — New Trends vs. Bourbon Aims

Two searching articles on the rising freedom movement of Negro Americans and efforts to stop it by the fascist Dixiecrats and their agents in the trade union rightwing.

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BROOKLYN RALLY ASKS SWIFT TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL



A call for repeal of the Taft-Hartley law and a return to the Wagner Act was sounded as Brooklyn unionists demonstrated at Borough Hall.

JOHN GATES OPENS DEFENSE FOR '12'

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IN DEFENSE OF THE
COMMUNIST PARTY AND
THE INDICTED LEADERS

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Free Two Cops Who Raped Negro Woman

MONTGOMERY, Ala.—Equal justice for all citizens was again thwarted in Alabama when a Montgomery county grand jury refused to return an indictment against two Montgomery policemen. The policemen are charged with rape of Miss Gertrude Perkins, a Negro woman of 25.

The jury's prejudice was clear George Davis, "was full of dis-Perkins, "the Perkins woman."

kins at every turn in her case. At the very start the city mayor had refused to allow her lawyers to this program of betrayal of the Commander of the American Lethis program of betrayal of the commander of the American Lethis program of betrayal of the commander of the American Lethis program of betrayal of the commander of the American Lethis program of betrayal of the commander of the American Lethis program of betrayal of the commander of the American Lethis program of the commander of the American Lethis program of the commander of the American Lethis program of the commander of the command see the police records so they people of Texas is Representative gion, has demanded public hearmight determine who the police- Carleton Moore of Houston. men in question were. He also refused a line-up of Montgomery controls in Texas was recently police so Miss Perkins might try rushed through the House of Repto identify her alleged attackers. resentatives without a public hear-When her attorneys tried to get ing. There is grave danger that Judge Eugene Carter to issue this bill will also pass the Senate, writs of Mandamus to order unless there is a storm of popular Montgomery county sheriff to protest. serve John Doe warrants and to order the mayor to release police most Texas cities, however, that department records their petition protests have already begun to be was denied.

The prejudiced grand jury tive circles. Bill McCraw, State lashed out at radicals and Communists who might be teaching in Free Ingrams Meeting public schools of the county. Ironically the grand jury said the radicals "seek to undermine the principles of good democracy laid Committee to Free the Ingrams of Toyan who works for a living down by our forefathers."

a weekly. The Montgomery Exam- Ingrams were turned ininer did report it fully. The grand jury lambasted the Examiner by saying that "the publicity of the Elks; Miss Ruth Koenig, iner by saying that "the publicity of the Elks; Miss Ruth Koenig, State Chairman of the Communist one meal."

ing its members as "men prom- State Director of the Progressive a loud noise about the "menace" county."

Cross Burned Before

was burned here Saturday in front in New York. of the Dexter Avenue Negro Church by masked members of the police raped her. Ku Klux Klan.

of the law was refused to Gertrude ter Avenue Church had ironically ciation that blacklists a Texas Perkins, young Negro woman who listed as its Sunday sermon: "It's school from being licensed to praccharges that two Montgomery Safe to Kill Negroes.

when it said that Miss Perkins' MOVE On to Abolish testimony and that of her friend, crepancies and what looked like to us manufactured lies." The prejudice of the jury also stood out clearly when they called Miss

AUSTIN, Texas. Push through the program of the big Justice was refused Miss Per- monopolies, and cover up with a smokescreen of red-baiting

So critical is the rent gouge in heard from even very conserva-

held a meeting in Miles Chapel While the daily press here did where many hundreds of signanot give full coverage to the case tures on the petition to free the

given this case has not been help- State Chairman of the Communist ful to racial relations in our city. Party of Texas; Mr. Moses Leroy gro people, was chairman.

called for the immediate freeing of colleges. Mrs. Ingram and her sons; for an One would require every stu-Alabama Negro Churc end to police brutality in Houston, dent in a state college to swear and for the dropping of the trial that he is not a member of the MONTGOMERY, Ala.-A cross of the 12 Communist Party leaders Communist, Nazi, or Fascist Party.

White and Negro citizens were failure on part of authorities to bill would prohibt any ex-students outraged lately when equal justice administer equal justice the Dex- of a school belonging to an asso-

ings on the Moore bill in view Moore's bill to abolish all rent of the large number of veterans unable to find decent housing. Major General Robert W. Burns of the air force protested to Governor Beauford Jester that rent decontrol "would most seriously affect the welfare of thousands of officers and airmen." And Tighe Woods, federal housing expediter, issued a statement against the bill, saying that rent decontrol would work a severe hardship on the

In an open letter to Carleton Moore, distributed in thousands of copies, Herman Wright, Texas Chairman of the Progressive Party, said: "Your bill to abolish rent ery Texan who works for a living and does not own a home. . . Your real-estate-owning friends are not satisfied with the 30 percent increase in rents authorized by the

TO HELP COVER UP his be-The grand jury gave itself a of the NAACP and the Railroad traval of the people of Texas, clean bill of health by characteriz- Brotherhoods; and Mr. Tom Neal, Carleton Moore has been making inently identified with the differ- Party. Mrs. Erman LeRoy, promi- of Communism. He is the author ent churches in our city and nent community leader of the Ne- of two bills now before the legislature that are aimed at stifling Resolutions were adopted which all freedom of thought in Texas

> The other bill declares that there is an immediate danger of Texas schools being blacklisted for viola-In answer to recent terror and tions of academic freedom. The tice any profession in Texas.

Struggle for Negro Rights, Housing, Jobs Needs a Mass Paper-You Can Build It

By Sam Hall Chairman, Communist Party of Alabama

MOST OF YOU who will read this column are regular readers of The Worker.

I wonder if you remember how you first came into contact with The Worker. Chances are that someone either sold or handed you a copy of The Worker. If it had not been for that person you would still be depending on radio commentators, subsidized by monopoly corporations, or newspapers owned by big business for knowledge of what's happening in the world. Your mind would be at the mercy of the Wall Street crowd.

The lesson should be clear. This nation is filled with hundreds of thousands who would welcome The Worker if it were presented to

The socialist movement in this country, out of which grew the Communist Party, U.S.A., had a great weekly newspaper, The Appeal to Reason. It was a more modest enterprise than The Worker, smaller in size and lacking wide coverage, but it had a band of readers who were crusaders for The Appeal to Reason. They worked daily to introduce the paper to others, to sell it, to get subscriptions. As a result this paper would attain

a circulation of a million copies on special occasions, Such a crusading spirit among readers of The Worker could surpass this figure.

IRV GOFF, chairman of the Communist Party in Louisiana, who served in the O.S.S. in Italy during World War II, tells a powerful story about what a progressive newspaper means in the struggle for freedom. Italian partisans nightly slipped through the lines of the German Nazis to coordinate the fight of the Italian patriots on both sides of the invaders lines.

Each partisan wore a knapsack. He filled half of the knapsack with hand grenades, but the other half was reserved for copies of the fighting newspaper that rallied the people for the struggle. These partisans recognized that their newspaper was a weapon second to none in the bitter struggle in which they were engaged.

Such is the importance of The Worker in the people's fight today against the Taft-Hartley law, against the oppression of the Negro people, against the drive to convict and imprison the leaders of the Communist Party as a far-reaching step toward American fascism, and against the Wall Street drive toward war. In every campaign undertaken by the people The Worker is a MAIN weapon.

NOW WE HAVE state and sectional issues of The Worker which make it an even more useful weapon. Our Southern Edition of The Worker enables us to use our paper directly in southern struggles. This means that southern readers of The Worker must help make this edition even more powerful.

Workers in the shops must write for our paper. Not fancy articles, but straight-from-the-shoulder letters that tell of working conditions and what should be done about them. Farmers, sharecroppers, students and others should do likewise. Many workers have things on their chest that they want to get off, but they hesistate to write for our paper. It's not difficult. Just write a letter as though you were writing it to a friend-then mail it to The Worker. Such letters can bring new life and strength to our paper.

In the recent circulation drive of The Worker, 36,517 new subscriptions were won. It was the largest number of subs ever rolled up in a Worker campaign. It proved that all the people are not falling for the bosses' anti-red hysteria; that the working people want our paper. In the South, Texas and the Carolinas showed that Worker circulation can be built. Both districts went over the top on their quota.

Some people think that only Communists push The Worker. It's true that our Party has the major responsibility, but non-Communist readers of The Worker, and in many sections they out-number the Communist readers, are also getting new readers for The Worker. You who read this will be surprised at how quickly you can get new readers for this paper if you will take a little time and introduce it

By Homer B. Chase

dren.

Here are some facts:

Schools in Appling and Baxley counties were closed for a week due to lack of funds.

the fall because funds for school for pupil transportation. operating expenses and for teachers salaries are not available.

tions they now hold,

of Dekalb County schools, 15,000 While there is one school bus for the school board still find it pos- firing John Herndon, head of the ATLANTA, Ga.—The educa- white children in the first grade every 133 white children there is sible to pay the Negro elementary State School for the Blind. Mr. tional crisis in Georgia is not yet the property of the citizens of peaters." In other words, almost Negro children. Sible to pay the teachers far less. other states, though what is de- one out of four Georgia first grade This means that many counties receive an average of \$1,937.41; have attacked many sections of the veloping here must effect children have failed to pass provide no buses for Negro chil- Negro male elementary teachers Georgian population heretofore, throughout the country. Even as a due to lack of attention, crowded dren and Negro mothers see their receive an average of \$1,027.58: but this is the first time that they contagious disease crosses state classrooms, inefficient instruction, six-year-old children walking as White female elementary teachers have openly attacked the blind. lines, so will the paralysis in edu- and irregular attendance mainly much as five miles one way to receive an average of \$1,741.17; The people of Georgia have not cation in Georgia effect your chil- caused by the lack of a functioning school. The lives of the children Negro female elementary teachers ignored this insult to their blind school bus system.

children in Georgia 1,200 have gro child attends is beyond de- wages paid to Negro teachers make reasons and results of Georgia's Many counties have announced not been inspected and 142 of scription. that their schools will not open in those inspected were found unfit The Georgia Accrediting Com- for white teachers. Up until now mainly by the oppression of the

THE CONDITION of the Ne- credit out of 2,500. According to the Department of gro schools reveals a situation that Education 52 percent of the white should make any American with teachers and 58 percent of the Ne-gro teachers need additional train-tions and a love for children flush given me by the Georgia Depart-won a suit for equal wages in Ful-Yet the fact is that the concept of ing in order to qualify for the posi-tions they now hold. With anger. There are only 203 ment of Education concerning ton County which the local school ending the dual school system is teachers wages in this state are board is appealing to higher courts. now widely prevalent in Georgia. Several country counties are gro school children in Georgia. A further indication of the discrimaying their teachers in script in high percentage of the Negro ination shown Negroes in educa-ieu of cash.

THE TALMADGE - controlled white, are now discussing taxes, ieu of cash.

State Board of Education further consolidation of schools, and According to the superintendent where buses are badly needed, are paid the white supremacists on added to the crisis in education by teachers' salaries.

Of the 2,763 buses for white of the school that the average Ne- tional system. These substandard The above are but a few of the

mission found fewer than 200 Ne- the majority of white teachers have Negro people and cannot be regro elementary schools fit to ac not seen the importance of uniting solved without a struggle for Ne-

unsanitary delapidated condition depth o fthe crisis in the educa-post. with Negro teachers to end the dis- gro rights. crimination and to raise the stand- It is clear that Georgia cannot

Herndon is extremely popular with White male elementary teachers the blind students. Talmadgites may be threatened on the way to receive an average of \$1,155.50. citizens and are turning a sym-Fifty percent of Georgia's white school by such hazards as poison- Th starvation wages paid Geor- pathetic ear to the students' pleas children never reach the tenth ous sakes and traffic accidents. The gia Negro teachers indicates the that Herndon be restored to his

possible the extremely low scale educational crisis, which is caused

ards of all teachers in Georgia. educate its children with a con-The people, both Negro and

Steel Plant Speedup Slays Worker

cold-strip pickle mill. Quick work into the churning acid. by two of his mill mates saved Not a word of Shiflett's accident men who blamed the tremendous moves scales and other impurities. him from being entirely consumed or death appeared in the Balti- speedup for the death.

his eyes burned out of his head.
The two men who pulled his body from the vat were badly burned recalls making out a certificate mills say it happened about the same time Bethlehem Steel Co. President Eugene Grace reported receive benefits from the com-

The death of 24-year-old Dil- pickle the cold steel at the same NEWS LEAKS OUT lard Shiflett occurred some time rate it is being turned out in the last month. He fell into the vat strip mill, lost his footing on the The news leaked out of the mill it was learned. It was his job to of sulphuric acid in the 56-inch ledge around the vat and dropped despie company efforts to sup- guids the cold steel into the pick-

But Shiflett died the next day, Co. officials refuse to talk about been learned. The men in the

SPARROWS POINT.—News of the horrible death of a young steelworkers in a vat of fuming sulphuric acid penetrated through the steel curtain around this Bethlehem Steel Co. town.

Sparrows Point.—News of around the arms and hands.

Shiflett's co-workers said the bers sending it to the State Department of Health. But the Repartment of Health. But the Repartment of Deaths in the State and production of 3,705,051 net tons of raw steel for the same for several months.

The death of 24-year-old Dil. Sielle the cold steel at the rame.

press it. It came from embittered ling tank where sulphuric acid re-

He left a young wife and sev-

eral young children. He had not fully qualified, ac-

Shiflett had ben working in the however, took up a collection to aid Shiflett's widow and children.

Shiflett originally came from Charlottsville, Va.

To counteract the bitterness of the pickling mill workers, company foremen are announcing that Shiflett fell into the vat because

'PEOPLE SEE DANGER NOW,'

BALTIMORE.-John N. Newcomer, the Washington County legislator who was the lone opponent of the Ober-Law when it adopted in the Maryland leigslature, said the people of the state "now see the danger in this law and realize that it was a step forward with the wrong foot."

Announcing his support of the Citizens Committee against the Ober Law, Newcomer declared: "My own position has not changed. I feel that the law has in it a spirit of you're-guilty-untilproved-innocent which is contrary to everything America stands

He reported that since he cast the lone vote against the Ober bill many residents of Washington County have come to him to say that they are worried about the curtailment of individual liberty possible under the law.

"The impression I get," he said, "is that the hysteria has worn off. A majority of the people I've had contact with would vote against the law in a referendum," he predicted.

Communists Begin Court **ActionAgainstOberLaw**

BALTIMORE.—The Attorney General of Maryland and Chips Are Down WASHINGTON.—Two local civil rights laws in effect other State and Baltimore officials have until June 2 to answer a second request for a court injunction to halt the operation of the Ober police state law.

Court action to keep the Ober law from violating the rights of people came after the Maryland Communist Party entered a bill of complaint setting forth 12 unconstitutional provisions of the

Circuit Court Judge Jaseph Sherbow of Baltimore on May 18 gave state and city officials 15 days to answer the bid for a court injunction to set the law aside immediately. Philip Frankfeld and George A. Meyers, chairman and labor secretary, respectively, entered the complaint in the name of the Communist Party.

The legal document charged that the law violates the civil rights provisions of the United States Constitution as well as the Maryland Declaration of Rights.

Push Ober Law Petition Drive

BALTIMORE .- A vigorous statewide campaign to push the gathering of signatures on petitions calling for a referendum on the Ober law over the 10,000 mark by June 1, was being conducted by the Citizens Commit-tee Against the Ober Law.

that the goal was being reached cratic people's party but an inrapidly and the drive to collect strument for force and violence in grounds formerly under its con- District's Negro residents was more than the necessary amount the state. was being pressed to provide insurance against the possible ruling out of signatures by the Secretary

to the drive, committee officials sion, exploitation, economic crises, basis. called on all opponents of the Ober law to send their friends to committee headquarters, 1915 St.

Reltimore to pick up committee headquarters, 1915 St. Paul St., Baltimore, to pick up and circulate petitions.

The petitions call for a statewide vote in the November, 1950, general elections on the law.

The Ober law is without precedent in the United States and violates the basic freedoms of Maryland residents to act and think as their conscience directs them, the two Communist leaders declared. They blasted the emergency rider to the law, which puts it into effect immediately, as a maneuver to head off a referendum by the people.

In reality, the Communist Party charged, the Ober law is a weapon to hamstring and attach criminal intent to progressive activity calling for repeal of the sales tax, full employment, large scale housing and slum clearance, the enactment of a state minimum wage law and of a state bonus for veter-

The court was also asked to stop the Maryland Attorney General from appointing a Special assistant to act as a one-man gestapo with legal sanction to act as combination invesitgator and

the big lie that the Communist months. Committee members reported Party of Maryland is not a demo-

that the Communist Party has June-the Interior Department tion. advocated and will continue to may take the play centers away advocate the Marxist doctrines from the Recreation Board and To guarantee a whirlwind finish that the final abolition of oppres- run them on a non-segregated

> A group of 10 prominent Marylanders filed a petition for an inof the law several weeks ago.

Wire Mill Unionists Force Bethlehem to Rehire 63 Men

other mills with it!"

That's how Bethlehem Steel responded on May 9 to the commeeting the back-breaking speed- company different. up standards in the wire mill. And union representatives, the company was forced to put the men back on their jobs.

Most of those laid off were employes of long standing, many with from 15 to 25 years seniority, the later with pensions coming up under the company "relief" plan. Had the layoffs stuck, they would have lost their pensions.

In Recreation

the racial segregation issue on anyone on grounds of race, color District playgrounds will be forced at the June 14 meeting of the tude." The laws were mysteriously Recreation Board.

Two board members have announced publicly that they will bring the issue of racial bias to the full board and demand a clearcut decision. They are Irving C. Root, superintendent of the National Capital Parks and the Department of Interior representative; and Mrs. Alice E. Hunter, the only Negro representative on

the School Board. The announcement to bring the ment of Justice hinted that it may never rule on the question of playground jurisdiction which is tied-in closely with the separation of

Negroes and whites in play areas.

The Department of Interior has asked the Justice Department The two Communist leaders to remove Washington's 62 playtold the court that the Ober law grounds from the jurisdiction of of the aims, purposes and nature board insisted on jimcrowing the higher court. of Communism and the American play areas. The request has been

Frankfeld and Meyers added pleted-probably by the end of

racial barriers are lifted, the In-

SPARROWS POINT, Md.—"Put Bethlehem Steel, hell-bent on well as by younger workers. those men back to work or the wire sweating even more profits out of The meeting also voted unanimill shuts down-and maybe some the workers in the second quarter mously to telegraph Steelworkers of 1949 than the all-time high Union president Philip Murray reached in the first quarter, figured pledging full support to union deworkers, members of Local 2609, it could get away with violating mands for a substantial wage inthe seniority clause of the con- crease, health and welfare insurpany's brazen attempt to lay off tract and substituting "efficiency ance, and a voluntary pension 63 production workers for not ratings." The workers taught the plan.

The contract with Bethlehem ex-Monday night's meeting of Lo- pires in 1950, with only a wage on May 10, after meeting with cal 2609 was jam-packed, and the and social insurance reopened posmen were in fighting mood. "Tie sible this year. The action of the up the wire mill!" "Shut down the executive board of USA in signing whole Point!" were sentiments ex-pressed many times by veterans of Steel and Bethlehem came in for the steel struggles of the 30's as much criticism in 1948.

> Old D. C. Negro Rights Laws Still Effective, Lawyers Say

WASHINGTON.-Two local civil rights laws in effect the D. C. Board of Commissioners were told by the National Lawyers Guild District chapter.

The laws, passed in 1872 and 1873 by the D. C. Legislative Assembly, prohibited restaurants, Jimcrow Policy hotels, barber shops and soda WASHINGTON.-A vote on fountains from refusing to serve or previous conditions of servidropped from the D. C. code by the city authorities in 1901.

The possibility that the laws were still on the books was suggested last fall in the widely publicized report of the National Committee on Segregation in the Nation's Capital. The Lawyers Guild investigated and found no reason why the laws should not be considered in effect now and enforced.

The Guild letter to the commissegregation issue to a head came sioners, Presidential appointees who at the same time that the Depart- now run the voteless D. C. government, asked that they "issue a public announcement that these laws will be enforced beginning with a near, specified date.'

The lawyers cited the fact that one law which had been similarly Shops, Unions dropped in the early 1900's was held to be in full force and effect is a malicious misrepresentation the Recreation Board because the when a ruling was requested in a

The Jimcrow pattern of life in Communist Party. They said that gathering dust in the Assistant the nation's capital has for years the fascist measure perpetuates Solicitor General's office for three shocked visitors from northern and western states, as well as those The Interior Department is also from other countries. What this conducting a survey of five play- limcrow pattern has meant to the trol. When the study is com- graphically established in the report of the Committee on Segrega-

> This Jimcrow system not only barred Negroes from eating in restaurants, and going to downtown

> against Negroes.

WASHINGTON. - Without fanfare, the Little Theatre became the second downtown district movie to open its doors to Negro and white moviegoers, The duPont Theatre, from its opening day, has maintained a policy of unsegregation.

The Little Theatre's change of policy is the result of a determined drive by Negro and white organizazons to break the jimcrow bars in downtown movies, The Young Progressives has been in the forefront of the

National Guard Plants Spies in

BALTIMORE.-The Maryland National Guard has planted agents in labor unions and industrial plants throughout the state to spy on union members and their work, it was revealed last week.

The Guard's chief spies are three officers: Lt. Col. C. Damer McKendrick, Lt. Col. Charles G. Lord and Major H. Frederick

McKendrick is a lawyer and member of the prominent law firm of Bartlett, Poe & Clagett, which numbers many of the state's largest corporations among its clients. movies, patronized by whites, but He is also being recommended to kept them in menial, low paying carry out the spying and witchjobs, and the disease ridden slums. hunting under the Ozer law. Lord The report revealed that Con- is an investment banker conterior Department will leave the gress and the President were re-nected with Baker, Watts & Co., ive playgrounds alone. If not, sponsible for the maintenance of and Jones is an investment banker junction to prevent the operation he government agency will take segregation and discrimination associated with Stein Bros. &

They were sorry for poor old Casey Stengel when he started the American League season with a team rated on the downhill path even IF the peerless Joe DiMaggio were in there. Without the unfortunate Frisco slugger it looked like the end and many were

the stories written about the crumbling of the Yankee empire.

But here it is nearly June with the Yanks atop the league, and the league, including the favored Red Sox and Indians, are beginning to take the Yanks very very seriously! Of course, it's not Stengel's doing. bum fielding rap with increasing to help fill the DiMaggie gap. agers (though enobody can find fault with Casey to date). The basis, so material that the team may pick up momentum on it and fool a lot of people, including

be wethered by big Vic Raschi, one little hitch, failure against the Bosox, and may become the league's top man. Nobody has been getting the kind of hurling field. Sanford, the "\$100,000 bust" chance," says the youthful Phila- me plenty just the same." for a while, has shown signs of delphia third sacker, "I watched me plenty just the same." lock out.

A combination of surprising rookies and surprising holdovers is

PCL batting leader who has more of the stuff that labelled him

The improved holdovers: Larry years ago. field gap, is showing more and They just may not do it!

weighed in with some big hits. | a batting terror at Kansas City two

Berra, catcher who has been Phil Rizzuto is still Phil Rizzuto helped immeasurably by the tutor- and Tommy Henrich is still Toming of Bill Dickey, and Bobby my Henrich, only a little more so! Brown, who is living down the Old Reliable has really come up

efficiency around third now that It's early in the year, but Stenhe knows he's settled down. He gel will remain happy just as long Yankee success has a very material cliff Mapes, filling the big center- to collapse.

Messrs. Veeck and Yawkey. It's composed of what is today the best pitching staff in the game,

a real ace who has overcome his Phils' "Puddin' Head," Crack Rookie, Says He Owes Lots to Detroit's Kell

George Kell of Detroit doesn't know it, but if Willie featured by Vic, the suddenly ma- (Puddin' Head) Jones of the Phillies develops into a toptured Byrnes, Lopat and Porter-flight third baseman it'll be his fault. "Every time I had a

swinging into line and if he does, Kell. Hes my idea of a great third

baseman.

doing the rest of it. The first named exhibition games this spring. He "a fellow who loves to play ball." are Dick Kryhoski, making the showed me how to get in front of "Willie's the kind of guy who can grade at first base, Dick Coleman, the ball and how to throw from not get enough baseball," Sawyer a Newark grad who filled in for different positions. He didn't added. "He's got a good pair of George and gradually learned the know I was watching him and I hands, a strong arm and a desire new position, and Gene Woodling, never spoke to him but he helped to improve. "In a few years, it's

Jones, A 23-year-old rookie from Laurel Hill, N. C., is described by "I watched him real close in the Phillie manager Eddie Sawyer as my opinion that he'll be one of the

> best infielders in the game." Jones put in most of the 1948 season with Toronto of the International League where he batted :275.

He played in 17 games with the Phillies during the tail-end of the 48 campaign and before the start of the 1949 spring training season, Sawyer announced, "the only player sure of a job with the Phillies is Jones."

How did Jones feel about Sawyer's vote of confidence?

"It didn't bother me too much," he declared: "I just decided I would have to work that much harder."

And work harder he did. During the first week of the campaign, Puddin' Head came to bat four times in one contest and connected for four straight doubles to tie a major league record.

"Funny thing about those doubles," mused Jones, "I never knew I was tieing any record or anything like that. I was only swingin to get on base. They told me about the record after the game."

Jones is the kind of ball player who plods along, playing the game instinctively without burdening himself too much with the fine points of strategy. He sums up his feelings in the matter when he

"I like playing third base because you don't have to think too much. The ball is on you in a second and you either do or you don't."

Most of the time, however, he

About the nickname Puddin' Head, Jones says: "Got that name from Mark

Twain's book. Remember Puddin' Head, the easy-goin feller who didn't get in anybody's way?
"Well," Willie grinned, "that's

Score Board

By Lester Rodney



Strikeout Kings Wanted

WHERE OH WHERE are the strikeout kings of yesteryear? A look at the current pitching performances reveals a slacking off in this department. Since Bob Feller set his 348 mark in 1946 and then changed his style, nobody else has come along with a real strikeout record. Last year, despite his shakiness for a long period, Bob still led the AL with 164, a far cry from his record. Brecheen of the Cards led the National with 149, but isn't hitting a fast strikeout pace this year.

Hal Newhouser has been averaging about five per game, which will probably win him the AL title but not come close to any marks. Brooklyn's Ralph Branca is hitting about the same pace. Actually, both are apt to stress strikeouts less rather than more in time to come. There is no little suspicion about Feller's concentration on whiffing in 1946 contributed to the losing of some of his speed and elasticity. It will be recalled that Bob himself announced after that tremendous feat that he would now concentrate on control and winning games instead, so he may have suspected that it did him no good to try blowing 'em all down.

Easter and the "Free Press"

LUKE EASTER, the tremendous rookie slugger playing for Cleveland's San Diego farm in the Pacific Coast League, is hot about the way certain Coast writers are misquoting him and trying to present him in the usual Negro stereotype. They take contemptuous liberties with him they never dare with white players. So Easter. discovered a scurrilous piece in the sheet called Pacific Coast League Baseball Magazine filled with Stepin Fetchit dialect. The whole thing was sheer fabrication, the writer never having interviewed Easter at all. Freedom of the press, you know. Blazing mad, Easter set about discovering who did the piece, so he could tell him off properly.

At San Francisco, he told a reporter of the "Peoples World," progressive West Coast daily, "Most of the reporters are honest and report what they hear and see. But there have been some in every city who put words in my mouth that I have never said. These reporters try to pretend that I don't know how to speak, that I am

a man who has had no schooling.

"Each day I read in the papers some words I have never spoken, written in an ignorant accent. They're just nonsense words they make up and then pretend that I said them. If they can't report honestly I wish they'd leave me alone. Why don't they judge me on the number of hits, runs batted in and home runs - in other words, why can't they treat me as a baseball player?"

Easter went on with emphasis, "I am one of my people. I respect my people. I want to behave in such a way that the never be ashamed of me. But what are they going to think when the reporters write that I've got a swelled head? What respect will people have for me when reporters tell them that I'm a showboat or a blowhard? I'm not that way and anybody who knows me could have told the newspapers the truth."

There's a Reason

THEY CAN'T TREAT you as just a baseball player, Luke Easter, because they are prostitutes of the typewriter and their big money newspaper bosses are an important part of the never ceasing propaganda machine which pumps its big lie poison of white supremacy into its readers every day of the week in one form or another. They use not only the newspapers but the movies, radio, television, comic books and even the schoolbooks. Monopoly capitalism, which owns and runs for the profit of a few our whole great and beautiful and productive country, has to keep the people divided, has to conduct a special oppression of the fifteen million Negro Americans above all, and believe me, as long as they get away with it we all suffer from the insanity of depressions in the midst of plenty and war hysteria in the midst of the overwhelming desire for peace.

If this is "politics" in a sports column, it's the only way such a sports question can be honestly be answered. Speaking of the socalled "free press," the prominent Negro spokesman, Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, speaking at a peace rally at Madison Square Garden recently, said, "I'm beginning to ask myself why I should believe the same newspapers which have lied about my people for three hundred years, when they write about the Soviet Union, the countries of Eastern Europe and the 'iron curtain'."

Louis Found Out

JOE LOUIS became familiar with some of these newspaper techniques. An average, normal guy, he was forced to read about himself as a "sullen tiger" and things like that. It's interesting to recall how some of the more vicious columnists built him up as a "superman" after he became champ, a flawless savage fighting machine without weaknesses. What they were doing, of course, was trying to de-humanize Louis, the only resort left to white supremacists when facing someone of Joe's caliber.

Louis himself knew this was nonsense, that there were no supermen in or out of the prize rings, just human beings. He always felt, and expressed, respect for the possibilities of his opponents.

And lo and behold, when he failed to knock out his opponent in a hurry, just continued to be a great fighting champion by winning again, the "very writers" who had created the superman myth now turned on him sneering that he was "overrated, dull witted," etc.

And even after Louis had retired and gone into the promotional field, when you'd think it was all over, he found the same thing all over again in a "press interview" that was turned into a sneering inquisition.

These white superiority guys can't treat Luke Easter as just another ballplayer, or Joe Louis on his merits as a fighter. They are always keenly sensitive to the Negro question in this jimcrow society of ours, something that hasn't always been true of white progressives, unfortunately, in the recent past.

NEW PHYSIQUE PHENOM

OUT OF NO-WHERE in the national body building field came Melvin Wells, a 30-yearold Ford worker from Buffalo, to place second in the AAU championship at Cleveland last week in the Mr. America competition. He won top honors for arm and development and most muscle divisions. A veteran of 30 months in the Army and 14 months overseas, Wells developed an interest in weight lifting and physique and applied himself in his spare time. A member of Local 425, UAW, Wells won the New York State contest, and in the magazine Your Physique it is stated with some little specialization he should ecome the best built of all time. In unofficial weightlifting, he has already come close to the world record. Wells was an all-round high school star, and won the Buffalo singles title in





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Two searching articles on the rising freedom movement of Negro Americans and efforts to stop it by the fascist Dixiecrats and their agents in the trade union rightwing.

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BROOKLYN RALLY ASKS SWIFT TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL



A call for repeal of the Taft-Hartley law and a return to the Wagner Act was sounded as Brooklyn unionists demonstrated at Borough Hall.

JOHN GATES OPENS DEFENSE FOR '12'

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IN DEFENSE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY AND THE INDICTED LEADERS

—See Section Two

Bare Plot to Smear USSR as Anti-Semitic

By Robert Friedman

The New York Herald Tribune slipped. It wrote to the American Jewish Labor Council when it meant to write to the Jewish Labor Committee. The slip provided concrete evidence of the fact that the monopoly press in the United States is engaged in a

planned and concerted drive to smear the Soviet Union and people's democracies as anti-Semitic.

Consider: Within the space of a few short months, Newsweek magazine, the New York Times, Post and World-Telegram, to name just Foil a few, have run series purporting to "prove" that the Soviet Union is an anti-Semite state. The articles parrot each other with remarkable regularity. Like factory shifts which spell one another, one publication starts its smearing when another subsides.

TRIB NEXT

And then the progressive American Jewish Labor Council got this letter, dated May 9:

"Gentlemen:

"I should like very much to obtain a copy of the report made by your organization some months ago in Atlantic City, detailing evidences of anti-Semitism in the Soviet sphere. It has come to my attention that your organization is in a position to have valid sources of information on this important

"May I, although belatedly, congratulate you on bringing it to the attention of the public.

"Sincerely, "Keith Spaulding "Night Desk

"Herald Tribune News Service" Is it not curious that the Herald Tribune "news" service should suddenly desire a "report," admit-tedly months old, on the alleged Herald Tribune were obtained by azine, Literary Gazette, showed

Is it not curious that the Herald Tribune's request coincided with the almost synchronized publication of press stories on the identi-

cal subject? At any rate, the Herald Tribune slipped. Its plea for manufactured "evidences" went not to the reactionary Jewish Labor Committee, creature of David Dubinsky and other rightists, but to the American Jewish Labor Council. COUNCIL'S ANSWER

editor-in-chief of the Herald Trib- to print the facts. une, the Council declared:

News Service has, of course, ev- Jews. ery right to request copies of re- Three times in the last, weeks, ports and other pertinent informa- the Daily Worker has exposed the tion. The contents of this request, brazen use of lies and forgeries in however, prejudge the validity of the Times, the Post and Newsthe information desired and the week, all purporting to "prove" congratulations extended the Jew- the existence of anti-Semitism in ish Labor Committee go beyond the Soviet Union. the limits of objectivity and pro- When the New York Times ran fessional ethics to which your a story (March 20) charging that News Service lays claim.

sole responsibility of its overzeal- toon, and used the word "Zhid," a will carry on the frontispiece, the ous and biased author Mr. Keith slurring word for Jews, in the cap-Spaulding, your newspaper should tion, the Daily Worker proved the certainly be interested to inform Times lied. We proved the word its readers that the Jewish Labor was actually the name of Andre monopoly press has decided that the elected officials of all affiliated North Atlantic Pact, fight for civil Committee's Atlantic City report Cide, the French author. We it can best peddle the big lie that unions, whether they like it or not. rights measures and social legison so-called, 'Anti-Semitism in charged that the Times lied in al- Soviet Socialism and fascism are This cynical edict is contrary to lation such as large scale housing, Eastern Europe, has been checked leging that the figures in the car-identical by convincing us that the every basic principle of trade and elimination of "dictatorship in by this organization and found toon were hook-nosed caricatures, Soviet regime is anti-Semitic. And union democracy." to be completely fraudulent. Its and we reproduced the cartoon to incidentally, halt and reverse the THE DECLARATION, a funcontents were fabricated in their prove it. entirety by a clique of professional Result? Faced with the evidence American Jewry for the firm So- sues facing labor-the fight against concluded. "Is belongs to the hate-mongers whose design it is to of its deception, the Times printed viet support to the national aspi- speedup, layoffs, for a wage in- workers. It is not the property of generate distrust between the peo- a tiny story in the back pages ad- rations of Israel. ple of America and those of East- mitting neither error nor guilt, but

In the rest of the Council's let-toon had used "Gide" and not ter, the progressive Jewish organi- "Zhid." zation documented numerous facts | But this didn't stop the Times in Eastern European countries" fraud that the Soviet Union is with the encouragement and sup- anti-Semitic. port of their democratic govern- Newsweek Magazine gave the

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ABOVE IS THE LETTER from the New York Herald Tribune asking for ammunition to be used on its sector of the anti-Soviet campaign. The Tribune meant to write the reactionary lewish Labor Committee for "evidences" of Soviet anti-Semitism, wrote the pro-

port issued by the Jewish Labor with the same charge. Committee."

to make such facts known to the April 10, which proved the followpublic as it was to peddle the ing:

anti-Soviet lies. Need you ask what the Trib-

"It is apparent from the refer-Herald Tribune knows what it ence to the 'report made in Atlan- wants to print and what it intends tic City,' that this communication to censor concerning the Soviet was intended for the Jewish Labor Union, the democracies of Eastern Committee. The Herald Tribune Europe, and their treatment of the

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ern Europe and the Soviet Union." granting only that the Soviet car-

its numerous delegations to Jewish anti-Semitism by placing, after communities throughout Europe. the pen-names of Jewish writers, They are facts which are detailed their original Jewish names, in paand demonstratable, facts which rentheses. The Times followed on "completely belie the spurious re- May 2, and the Post, on May 3,

Again, the Daily Worker ex-URGES PRINTING OF FACTS posed the lies. The Daily Worker The Council asked the Herald reproduced part of the page of the Tribune whether it was as willing Russian newspaper Pravda, of

> lin Prizes in art, science, etc. for population.

where a writer or artist used a professional name, next to that name, in parentheses, was placed his original name. This was done the wishes of the membership. even when the person merely shortened his name, or used the diminutive, "Sasha," for "Alexander." The original name, without the slightest relation to the person's national origin, was placed in parentheses, according to Soviet custom.

In the same way, a book by Mark Twain in our own libraries, gardless of how harmful or in- originally based," to stop raiding, parenthetical insertion, (Samuel L. of the American workers and round of wage increases, discon-Clemens.)

"Soviet anti-Semitism," remember how Newsweek lied, how the Post lied how the World Tele Post lied, how the World Teleon the "rapid reconstruction of from returning to its program of gram lied, how the Times lied. Re-Jewish cultural and economic life selling the American public on the member, too, the 85 Stalin Prizes violate all democratic principles in fighting spirit, the progressiveness to Jewish citizens of the Soviet Union and how the "free press" Union and how the "free press" of the CIO, and they adopt poliprostituted itself with a few parencies which are disastrons to the of the people's onward march for
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peace and democracy."

British Workers, Communists Rally

If the striped pants set in the State Department thought that they could crook their little fingers to get Gerhart Eisler back into their clutches without a murmer from the

British people, they reckoned Committee was formed at a meet-without British workers and, in the first place, the Communist Party of Great Britain.

the German anti-fascist refugee racy and the North London Distossed into a Birmingham jail and Union. held for extradition hearings at the Bow St. Court in London-all at the behest of the State Department-a great Eisler defense campaign has been in the making.

Eisler was due to appear in Bow St. Court again on Friday, May 27, after a magistrate, over-riding defense protests, granted State Department lawyers on State Department lawyers on Tuesday a four-day delay. Meanwhile, Eisler was ordered back to Brixton Prison, without bail.

It was before that prison last Sunday that 600 demonstrators gathered to demand Eisler's immediate release. speakers on a sound truck outside of the Communist Party and the the prison walls called out: "We are speaking to you, Gerhart Eisler. Can you hear our voices?"

A SERIES of protest rallies on the rally assailed "the dirty work the Eisler case has heard such of the Wall Street bankers who ordered Britain to arrest Eisler," and speakers called on the Labor of American big business."

tradition effort, a Release Eisler Home Secretary.

such organizations as the National From the very first day that Council for Civil Liberties, Britwas hauled off a Polish vessel, trict, Amalgamated Engineering

Four trade unions, including the Edinburgh Trades Council, have protested to the Home Secretary over the arrest, and Edinburgh University students demonstrated with placards stating, 'Stop witch-hunting for America' dents from Germany, also assailed the seizure of Eisler.

Scottish miners contributed \$200 to Eisler's defense, after Scottish area officials of the National Union of Mineworkers ap-Communist proved the aid upon the request Council for German Democracy.

speakers as Paul Robeson and Konni Zilliacus, M.P.; Prof. government to "apologize to Eis- P. M. S. Blackett, Nobel Prize ler" and "stop serving as the slaves physicist and author of Fear, War and the Bomb, with 50 lecturers IN OTHER indications of Brit- and students of the University of ish resentment at the govern- Manchester, wired their "profound ment's role in the arrest and ex- indignation" at the arrest to the

CIO 'Obey' Edict

The action of the CIO Executive Board was branded • That of several hundred Sta- a "cynical edict" in a declaration of union policy adopted In a letter to Whitelaw Reid, une's response was? It has fefused the last year, 85 were won by unanimously this week by the International Executive Board

Jews-and the Jews constitute less of the CIO International Fur and The reasons are obvious. The than two percent of the Soviet Leather Workers Union. "We reject and scorn any order or in- real mass fight for the repeal of That in every single instance sinuation," the statement ascerted, that union representatives on the mined fight" for wage increases CIO Board must be rubber stamps and other improvements (some for the right wing regardless of

charge that:

the affiliated international and na- of unions. tional unions of CIO and to their It called upon the CIO to re-

shamelessly abandon the original in the hands of its members

It cited the failure to rally a officials even proposing no increases at this time), no struggle The declaration contained the for needed social legislation, raiding, disruption of the World Fed-"The latest decree of the C10 eration of Trade Unions, violation leadership, which is addressed to of autonomous democratic rights

millions of members, states that turn to its tradition of "progressive, whatever may be decided by the militant and democratically-deterleadership of CIO on all issues, mined policies and program upon whether economic or political-re- which its power and prestige were jurious it may be to the interests rally the workers for a fourth-American people-must be ac-tinue support for such war meas-The reasons are obvious. The cepted by the membership and by ures as the Marshall Plan and the CIO,"

growing respect and admiration of damental treatment of the basic is-millions of American workers," it crease, peace-added that "in the a few leaders. It is now the duty When next you hear or read of face of the impending new eco- and the obligation of every single the formulation of programs and of the CIO can and must be rein the administration of the affairs built, to enable the CIO to resume

GATES OPENS DEFENSE FOR '12'

By Joseph North

John Gates, editor of The Worker and Daily Worker, paratrooper in World War II and lieutenant colonel of the International Brigades in Spain, took the witness-stand in the Communist trial at Foley Square this week and promptly began to riddle the prosecution's case. The house of marked cards built by the Government's police-spies began to crumble as

Jurist Lashes Trial of '12'

Indiana Judge Calls It 'Tragic Farce'-Accuses Tom Clark

(The Indiana-Calumet edition of The Worker has received the following statement from Norval C. Harris, Judge of the 14th Judicial Circuit Court at Sullivan, Indiana, in the heart of the Indiana coalfields.-Editor).

SULLIVAN, Ind.-Judge Norval K. Harris, of the Sullivan Circuit Court, a veteran of World War I and a past commander of the Sullivan American Legion post, denounced the indictment and trial of 12 national leaders of the Communist Party as "un-American and a stench in the nostrils of every redblooded, liberty-loving American."

"It is certain that our grandchildren will wonder what kind of spineless Americans we were," said Judge Harris, "that we would sit idly by and permit fellow citizens to be indicted and

tried because of their political beliefs. "The present trial in New York before Judge Medina is a tragic farce. It is an exact counter-part to one of the damnable Alien and Sedition trials held during the Administration of John Adams. In those days any American who was friendly toward revolutionary France was denounced as a Jacobin and a Democrat, just as today any patriotic American who believes in peace and friendly relations with Russia, our wartime ally, is branded a subversive Communist.

"Judge Frank Murphy of the U. S. Supreme Court in an able and logical opinion in the Schneiderman case held that the Communist Party does not seek to overthrow our government by force and violence.

"As a student of history and sociology, I have read all the available books concerning the life and principles of Thomas. Jefferson and Abraham Lincoln. They were champions of the cause of the common people, but if they were alive today, they would be denounced as radicals and fellow-travelers and would be on the list of potential traitors as compiled by J. Edgar Hoover's FBI, by Dies, Rankin, Mundt, Thomas et al, and by Attorney General Clark.

"Why is Clark not pushing the trial of Congressman Thomas (Feeney) who was indicted for felonious kickbacks from his employees? Why is Clark not seeking indictments against those Wall Street cartelists who did business with the Nazis?

"If Foster, Dennis, Green, et al, can be convicted because they have devoted their lives to the cause of peace and to the struggl for economic justice, then we have failed as a Democracy and have surrendered to the damnable Fascist tyranny of Mussolini and Hitler."

the 35-year-old editor testified in a calm, clear voice. What he had to say acquired powerful immediacy and relevance to millions today walking the streets looking for jobs. Gates vigorously presented his party's position on capitalist crisis, joblessness, and overproduction. His testimony shattered the hopped-up lies of stool-pigeons like Herbert Philbrick and Lewis Budenz. Gates' appearances on the stand opened a new phase of the

trial. Prosecutor John F. X. Mc-Gohey leaped up and down like a jumping jack shouting objections as Harry Sacher questioned the Communist editor. Within a quarter hour after the leader had taken the stand, Judge Medina was already talking "delay."

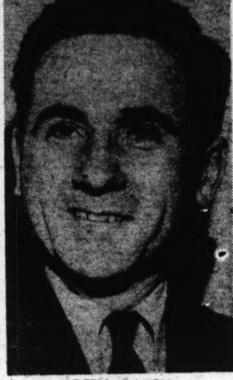
Nonetheless Gates succeeded in presenting the jury many fundamentals of the Marxist analysis of crisis and his party's program and specific deeds through the decades to improve the immediate interests of the working-class in the inevitable march toward socialism.

THE COURTROOM and jury listened intently to the Communist's prompt answers. His replies shattered the lurid lies of the prosecution witnesse that the Communist Party "plotted" to overthrow

See page 10 for more news on the trial of the Communist lead-

fied the material which outlined 1947. this party's program for meeting Another telling document placed He ardently sought the answers economic ruin, fascism and war.

under oath, the prosecution's on promises by Wall Street. frame-up charge that he or his Foster's 1944 letter exploded cate the overthrow of the United directed from abroad.



JOHN GATES The Worker Editor

States government by force and

One document that was read to the jury was an economic analysis the Government by force and vio-lence during economic crises. The ing of the working people which The ruin of his fa defense introduced official party Gates prepared in consultation store owner, by the 1929 crisis imdocuments, pamphlets, speeches, with the General Secretary of the resolutions that truly presented the Party, Eugene Dennis. It was pub-Communist position. Gates identi- lished in the Worker, August 31,

party or any of its leaders taught the lies of FBI labor spies that the and 42, graduating at the age of or conspired to teach and advo- Communist Party of America was 13, in 1926, as valedictorian of

William Z. Foster's-"In Defense of the Communist Party and the Indicted Leaders" - is included in this edition as a 16page section. Reprinted by request from the Daily Worker, it replaces the usual magazine section. Those readers of the paper who have already received a copy of this article by Foster are asked to pass it along to a

GATES TESTIFIED that while the latter did not represent the line of the Communist organization at the time it was written (Browder's revisionist policy was in operation at the time) it was the basis of the Party's political position after its reconstitution in

The editor, upon taking the stand, outlined the life-story of a Communist leader. It revealed the early groping of a typical young American, born in New York, of immigrant parents, for answers to questions that arose for millions during the great de-

The ruin of his father, a small pelled the youngster to probe for reasons that "brought poverty amidst plenty in the richest country of the world."

the crisis of capitalism by bridling in evidence was sections of the through intensive study of ecothe monopolies which, he told the famous January 1944 letter by nomics and philosophy when he court, were heading the nation to Communist Party Chairman Wil-entered CCNY with a \$400 state liam Z. Fster which opposed Earl regents scholarship he won on Eight different times he refuted, Browder's position that depended graduation from DeWitt Clinton High School.

Gates had attended P. S. 179 his class. He received a gold medal for winning the highest grades in the class. During this time Cates worked at odd jobs. sold the Bronx Home News. worked in his father's store, dispensed soft drinks at Asbury Park-the life-story of millions.

At college he studied many books on economics, philosophy, but, finally, he told the jury, he ran across a book by George Bernard Shaw, The Intelligent Women's Guide to Socialism and tion making the decision in doubt Capitalism. It was a best-seller at that time and read by hundreds of thousands.

Shaw's book, he testified. opened a new vista of thought. Through the writings of the great British author he came across the works of Marx and Engels and Imperialism, by Lenin.

IN APRIL, 1931, he joined the Young Communist League on the CCNY campus.

Question: Tall us why you oined the Young Communist League?

Answer: This book that I re-The desperate bidding by the ferred to, the Shaw book, had Liberal Party, split between Du-made me a Socialist. That book binsky, who would proffer the opened up my eyes to something nomination to O'Dwyer with suf- I hadn't seen before-the great

As a youngster in college Gates (Continued on Page 12)

Does O'D Really Mean It?

Mayor's 'Won't Run' Statement Weighed - ALP Chances Growing

By Michael Singer

ties here.

Mayor O'Dwyer's sudden announcement that "I am not a candidate for reelection" has created the maddest scramble and political horse-trading ever seen in both the Democratic and Republican par-®

startling statement run the gamut from bad health to submission to Brooklyn Democratic demands that Borough President Cashmore be the candidate. However true any of these speculations may be there is a very real possibility that O'Dwyer is merely setting a trap to throw the opposition out of

O'Dwyer may yet run for reelection as Mayor. A peculiar "draft" movement has already begun, hardly 24 hours after his announcement at City Hall last Wednesday night. A few hours after his declaration the Mayor was paign for O'Dwyer. offered by Bishop D. Ward Nich-pressed a reluctance to run again olas at a meeting in Harlem, unless he could top the record where O'Dwyer addressed 900 plurality he received in 1945 as jimcrow, anti-Negro police brutal-

WORKER and THE WORKER

AFL leaders, notably Martin The reasons given for O'Dwyer's Lacey, president of the Central Trades and Labor Council and Teamsters' chief, have already begun a "draft O'Dwyer" movement. Bronx Borough President James J. Lyons, who as Boss Ed Flynn's stooge in the Board of Estimate, has been instrumental in healing the breach between the Bronx leader and the Mayor, expressed shock at O'Dwyer's statement and said: "It will be a great It can not be counted out that loss to the city. He's the greatest Mayor the city has ever had.'

Lyons, who is known to oppose Brooklyn Borough President Cashmore's Mayoralty ambitions, is also ready to start a draft cam
Brooklyn Borough President Cashmore's Mayoralty ambitions, is also known ficient patronage and machine that he is fearful of the inroads reciprocation, and Adolf A. Berle, As a youngster in college.

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O'DWYER

being made in his so-called pro-The Mayor has always ex- gressive reputation by the hardhitting Labor Party's fight against the fare increase, Stuyvesant Town the Democratic-American Labor ity, housing slum conditions and increasing evictions, and his miserable "soak the poor" budget policies which boosted consumer taxes while reducing Big Business costs, restricted expanding school operations and cut civil service salaries.

Without the ALP support O'Dwyer hasn't the remotest near the 300,000 plurality which

swept him into office four years ago. A victory by less than thatand with the possibility of a Republican - Fusion - Liberal opposi--would irreparably damage his aspirations for Governor or U. S. Senator.

A "draft" movement which would have the apparent effort of "uniting" all the Democratic counties and give the public the impression that he was "sacrificing" his health because of widespread demands that he run as the "strongest" candidate, would force the machine to buckle under to his desire for one-man control.

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Point of Order

MAX

British and American imperialists try to bolster their spirits over the victories of the home-grown Chinese Liberation Armies. by shouting that "no foreign power can rule China." They should

The day before Shanghai fell, the Kuomintang Army there held a Victory Parade-evidently this was to practice marching backwards.

The Western powers who are busy rejecting international chance of winning by anything control of the Nazi industries of the Ruhr would probably be glad-near the 300,000 plurality which to have international control of China.





Members of the Chinese delegation to the recent World Congress for Peace held in Paris are shown in Moscow as they watch a champion soccer game. The delegation stopped over while enroute home.

West Bloc Vetoes Soviet Bid for Return to FDR Plan

PARIS. - The Big Four Foreign Ministers' meeting here has thus far resulted in the rejection by the western bloc of the Soviet Union's proposal for a German settlement ing. based on the Potsdam agreement. To the proposal offered by the Soviet Foreign Minister, Shanghai one day after the Kuo- forced the Chientang River to the



hold "El" stations, which are un- State Department's excuse was its as consultants; reestablishment of der Russian jurisdiction. Mobs in- claim that the Soviet Union could spired by Social Democratic help end the war by participating Council and four-power adminchiefs used shovels, stones and in the rigged UN Balkans Commisfists. West German reports said sion. that 1,200 were hurt and one dead in the pitched battles for the UNIONISTS COMMMEND El. Moscow Radio reported that RUSSIAN TRADE UNIONS most of the Berlin railmen were on the job despite the west-pro-letter to Soviet workers was made voked strike.

MILLION ITALIANS OUT

IN AGRICULTURAL STRIKE FOGGIA, Italy.—Six hundred are returning home after acting as desire to see any settlement in remnants of the Kuomintang thousand farm workers and share- fraternal delegates to the 10th So- this area of the cold war. The Big forces there. croppers of the Po Valley were viet Trade Union Congress. "The Three's rejection of the Soviet joined in their week-old strike by questions discussed at the congress proposals for an agreement based farm laborers of Rome province. meetings and the manner of their on the Potsdam decisions have With the strike expected to spread solution," the letter says, "testify to been greeted with belligerent apto southern Italy, it was anticipat- the vitality and activity of Soviet proval. ed that 1,000,000 farm workers trade unions and the feeling of rewould be out. Demands include sponsibility on the part of trade land improvement projects to ab- union leaders, As a result of our Four meeting was adopted withsorb the jobless and boost productivisit in the Soviet Union, we have out delay; the sessions are to cover tion; fixed minimum wage; eight- become convinced that the peoples the political and economic unity hour day; paid helidays; no firings of the USSR want peace and are of Germany, including military allocation of funds for jobless tion with the workers and peoples control and currency; preparation of thousands of people in England and other European cost-of-living allowances.

ARAB DEMONSTRATION HITS COLONY DEBATE

In a marathon session that ad- CUBA REVIVES journed at 2:30 in the morning, DICTATORS' POLICE the United Nations General Assembly voted down the Bevin- government has revived the inter-Sforza plan for dividing Musso nal Military Intelligence Service lini's former colonial empire. A (SIM), traditionally used by Cuban peace treaty. Polish resolution was then ap-dictators against all popular moveproved to postpone further discus- ments in the country. President sion on the Italian colonies until Carlos Prio has also ordered the byplay between Vishinsky and and economic security, and their September, when the full Assem-suspension of several newspapers bly is to meet again at Flushing and radio stations which opposed Meadows. While the debate was his policies. in progress, 20,000 Arabs demon-strated in the streets of Tripoli, BRAZIL SEAMEN

MOSCOW (ALN).-A farewell public here by British, Australian, Austrian, Dutch, French, Hungarian, Polish, Venezuelan and other union representatives who sions in our home countries and restore Austrian independence. our own organizations."

HAVANA (ALN),-The Cuban

war in Greece, be repeated if negotiations fail. retorter

four-power control in Germany, parade. Britain's Bevin, France's Schuman and Secretary of State Acheson promptly said no. The three west bloc nations insist that the puppet swept across five provinces to a West German republic be the depth of 300 miles in its southbasis for any central government

the four-power Allied Control istration of Berlin and creation of tang troops have been killed, ing of Germans representing east are of territory during this period. and west zone economic organizations, with economic and admin- officers have been taken prisoner. istrative responsibilities - all pro-posals foreshadowed by President ated China's biggest metropolisistrative responsibilities - all pro-

the Big Four meeting has been struck deep into Fukien Province, marked by an evident lack of where they are mopping up the

THE AGENDA for the Big

and accepted the one agreed to of the Council on African Affairs. beforehand by France, Britain and the U. S. However, Vishinsky ton announced, is "Harlem Speaks proposed that an early date be for Peace and Freedom," and it set for a discussion of a Japanese will deal with the pressing prob-

The uncertainty of what lies ahead in the Paris talks was un-derscored in a brief conversational Bevin on the opening day of the

meeting. When the ministers agreed that if they managed to reach agreement on Austria, this agreement man of the Council on African Af-

Shanghai Hails Army Of Liberation

With the liberation of Shanghai, China's, and, in fact the Orient's largest metropolis, a city of 5,000,000, is now in the hands of the people. The People's Liberation Army

marched into the city on Wednesday, meeting no resistance from a Yangtze River was made in three the mythical "successful counterattacks" accredited to the Kuomin-Armies."

The changeover was orderly. Correspondents for the monopoly press were constrained to contrast the disciplined behaviour of the Liberation troops with the Kuomintang forces which had spent their last days in Shanghai in loot-

Andrei Vishinsky, for a return to mintang garrison held a victory south. It then split into sub-

PEIPING (NCNA).-The Chinese People's Liberation Army has ward advance across the Yangtze drove at great speed into north-INCLIE NEW BERLIN

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ANTI-SOVIET PROVOCATION

BERLIN.—Western sector military commanders ordered police of itery commanders ordered police of their Berlin sectors to seize and body, and Germany's neighbors as consultants; reestablishment of the railway cities and south.

Ward advance across the Yangtze River in the past 20 days. It has liberated 102 cities and county towns, including Nanking and two provincial capitals. Except for ipating in a four-power control body, and Germany's neighbors as consultants; reestablishment of the railway cities are consultants; reestablishment of the railway cities and south.

> Nearly 200,000 routed Kuomina German State Council, consist- wounded or captured in this great More than 20 high Kuomintang

> Roosevelt's agreement at Yalta, Shanghai, in the east and the capand elaborated later at Potsdam, ital of Chekiang Province, Nan-The monopoly press reaction to chang, in the west. They have

> > THE ADVANCE south of the ing tot he Census Bureau.

fleeing, demoralized Kuomintang columns. The Central Column, garrison. In striking contrast to which crossed the river along the Wuhu-Anking line, coordinated with the Eastern Column along tang forces in the last week, the the Nanking-Kiangyin line. These Liberation Armies were greeted at took Nanking and then split into the city's City Hall by a detach- two groups which struck toward ment of Kuomintang soldiers put- the southeast. One group thrust ting up a big sign, which read: "Welcome, People's Liberation Armies."

toward Shanghai along the Nan-king-Shanghai and Hangchow-Shanghai railways. The other took the Nanking-Hangchow Highway. The first group occupied the Nanking-Shanghai and Hangchow-Shanghai railways and many towns, including several important centers of light industry along the railways.

This group took the Chekiang The Liberation troops entered provincial capital, Hangchow, and groups-one driving south along the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway, the second along the Hangchow-Ningpo Railway, taking Shaohsing in its stride. The third main group

> The southern group struck deep into North Fukien and took three county towns in the northern part of that province. The western group has pressed to the area of the Kinagsi provincial capital, Nangchang, and the last group has driven fast to the east on the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway, taking many rail towns and joining forces with other people's forces pressing south from Hangchow.

THIRD OF A NATION ...

One third of U. S. homes lack either cooking equipment, a kitchen sink, or a bathtub-shower, accord-

MASS RALLY TO WELCOME OBESON BACK TO NEW YORK

Paul Robeson, returning to New York after a great fourexcept for just cause; immediate intent on friendship and coopera- occupation of the country; Berlin month tour during which he sang to and addressed scores

workers; increased family and of other countries. We promise you of a German treaty and examina- countries, will be greeted at a mass that we will publicize our impres- tion of the status of a treaty to public rally at the Rockland Palace, 155th St. and Eighth Avenue, Soviet Foreign Minister Vishin-Sunday, June 19 at 3 p.m., accordsky withdrew his proposed agenda ing to Dr. W. A. Huntin, secretary

The theme of the rally, Dr. Hunlems of the American, West Indian and African Negroes in their struggles for full and equal rights relationship to the vital question of world war or world peace.

Paul Robeson and Dr. W. E. B DuBois, chairman and vice-chairstrated in the streets of Tripoli, carrying pictures of Soviet Prember Stalin and signs denouncing the governments of the U. S., Britain and Italy.

Britain and Italy.

BRAZIL SEAMEN

DEMAND WAGE INCREASE

RIO DE JANEIRO (ALN).—Demands for higher wages are being pressed on the government by of the gove



Tickets for the meeting may be meeting is being held.

Newsmen

MORE NEGROES T



Members of the Newspaper Guild picket the Bell Syndicate in the N. Y. Times building after a strike began when the management refused to discuss the newly-organized unit's demands. The Worker, which buys its crossword puzzle, fashion pattern, and the comic strip Virgil, has discontinued these features during the strike.

FIGHT JIMCROW IN THIRD METRO PROJECT

Parkchester Tenants Denounce Insurance Trust's Discrimination

By Louise Mitchell

A tenants' drive to end the lily-citywide organizations. tenants are on the move against city. its Jimcrow rental policies.

of a meeting held there recently of Negroes contribute through their Judge Francis E. Rivers, a Neby the Parkchester chapter of the life insurance policies to the Metro- gro jurist. Civil Rights Congress at which a resolution condemning the biased dents at the meeting called on the projects ban Negroes." management to "rent the next vacant apartment to a Negro family and to continue renting to Negro families in appreciable num-

Tenants at Stuyvesant Town and cated at Parkchester. Peter Cooper Village, two other Meanwhile the fight against Jimlily-white projects owned by the crow real estate firms took a set-found the company guilty of discompany, have been waging a vig-back this week through the help crimination in two decisions. Marorous campaign for admittance of of the Appellate term of the New chant was given judgment for

ley enlisted the support of many reversed a jury conviction for dis-

Life Insurance Co.'s Parkchester far turned a deaf ear to the de-dered a new trial. housing project is under way, mands of Met's tenants, even The unanimous decision favoring recommendations for the extreme marking the third project owned though tax exemptions at Town the multi-million dollar realty firm, death penalty shortly after 4 by the billion-dollar concern where and Village were granted by the rendered by Judges Ernest E. L. o'clock each day.

to involve the 12,000 families lo-from the project shortly after the of legal lynching.

crimination against the Fred F. white status of the Metropolitan The city administration has thus French Management Co. and or-

> Hammer, Samuel H. Hofstadter and William C. Hecht, Jr., was

in turn have made Parkchester as May, 1948, under the Civil Rights trial town.

After a two-day trial the jury Negro tenants and at a recent par- York Supreme Court. The Court \$1,000 and cost of attorney.

letter sent to every strike home

asking them to "pray" to get their

Strikers held big demonstra-

Assembly Line Technique Is Used in Legal Lynching Frameup in Virginia By Mel Fiske

MARTINSVILLE, Va.-Legal lynching on a mass assembly line basis is under way here with the sentencing to death of seven Negro men.

The smooth efficiency of Martinsville court and police authorities in perfecting Southern justice by turning out one-a-day death sentences has followed a pattern reminiscent of the Scottsboro cases.

The seven men, six of them between 19 and 20, and the seventh, a 37-year-old father of five children, are now in the state penitentiary in Richmond, waiting until July 15 and 22 when they are scheduled to die in the electric chair.

They have been found guilty of raping a 32-year-old white woman in East Martinsville, Jan. 8. Confessions were produced by police. Witnesses were produced by the Commonwealth attorney, when the trials were conducted in the county courthouse from April 21 to May 2.

The trials lasted from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. with precision like regularity, each of the six juries, composed entirely of whites made

THE VERDICTS were a foregone conclusion before the trials The decision to fight Jimcrow THE TENANTS' RESOLU- an unprecedented attack on the even started. Since the alleged housing at Parkchester grew out TION pointed out that "millions conduct of the trial by City Court rape attack took place in January the seven to the electric chair. Four politan's Life's huge profits which The French firm was tried in ed and spoken in this little indus- Booker T. Millner, 19; Frank and

One hundred and fifty project resi-Cooper Village possible, yet these Marchant, charged that two elevator operators at Tudor City, a and set off a lynching bee that 20; James Hairston, 20; and Fran-Expressing full support for the French project, refused to take him would have blotted the name of cis Desales Grayson, 37. campaigns at Town and Village, to the apartment of a white friend, Martinsville throughout the world. the tenants embarked on a drive David Lown. Lown was evicted the authorities hit on the scheme galvanized the 5,000 Martinsville

> the scheme worked this way other attorneys retained by the tions from taking place. families of one of the men were shunted out of the case.

2) Juries were selected from foremen in some of the large factories, most of whom were friends and associates of the merchant whose wife brought charges against the seven Negroes. The Commonwealth attorney struck the names of Negroes off each jury as they were brought before him.

3) Before these juries, Mrs. Ruby : THE MOST RELIABLE PLACE Stroud Floyd went into what appeared to be a carefully rehearsed act as she told her story of the alleged mass rape. One man who saw Mrs. Floyd during the six times she took the stand said she sobbed at the same point in her story, cried out at the same point and went into hysterics at the same place each time she repeated her

4) The defense attorneys conducted very little cross examination of Mrs. Flyod. They didn't question the discrepancies in her story. One attorney, who held Mrs. Floyd on the stand for 20 minutes, the same amount of time the pros-

GABARDINES

SLACKS - SPORT

ecuting attorney questioned her, is still being criticized by the townspeople.

5) The defense attorneys only placed five of the seven men on the stand in their own behalf. The questions they asked them steered carefully away from vital questions of the manner in which the alleged attack was supposed to have started and their knowledge of and, in one case, acquaintance with Mrs. Floyd.

6) Judge Whittle, while keeping his judicial robe straight of many minor legal technicalities, supported the prosecuting attorney on the major ones. He denied defense motions to move the trials to any other county.

AFTER THE assembly line was estabilshed on that legal basis, the legal lynchings rolled out without any trouble. Credited with masterminding the proceedings is W. R. Broaddus, former Henry County commonwealth attorney who got rich in his 20 years in office. Broaddus assisted the present commonwealth attorney, I. W. Cubine.

The mass execution line ground to a halt. Judge Whittle sentenced a widespread campaign to "give of the men are to die July 15. They them the rope" has been whisper- are Joe Henry Hampton. 20; Howard Hamptou, both 19. The policies were unanimously passed. well as Stuyvesant Town and Peter Law, when a Negro dancer, Claude Apparently to prevent a mob other three are slated to die July

The severity of the sentences Negroes and their organizations throughout the state. The National 1) Attorneys for the seven were Association for the Advancement appointed by Henry County Judge of Colored People stepped in to Kennon C. Whittle before a pre- take an appeal up to the highest liminary hearing was held. Two courts to prevent the mass execu-

The Civil Rights Congress, representing Grayson, is cooperating with the NAACP legal staff, headstore clerks, small businessmen, ed by Martin A. Martin, Richmond attorney.

> So far court records are being examined to find loopholes on which to pin an appeal. Nothing is being done to bring mass pressure to bear on Governor William Tuck in Richmond to hold back the slated executions of the seven men.

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TROPICALS

husbands to desert the fight. The letter writer pretends to be men than were working bea striker's wife. Strikers say the fore," said William Greenstein. writer works on the publicity staff Every machine that has been of the Brewers' Board of Trade.

New York unions are waking hours come down. up to the fact that the 7,000 brewery strikers in the big town are fighting a battle for all labor as they continue striking for the 35hour week.

ing an end to the intolerable 1941 is producing more than the speedup, which has resulted in manufacturers guaranteed. the killing of 27 brewery workers in three years and the injuring of changing gears and speeding up But they need help from the workmore than 3,700.

The strikers need help. The battle, which began April 1, is going into its ninth week today.

Brewery workers were leaders of some of these pipes. in the eight-hour fight, as they are leaders in the struggle for the 35-hour week today.

"Brewery Workers Local 1, the oldest of our seven New York locals, struck a year for the eighthour day in 1898," said William Greenstein, secretary of the joint executive board of the seven CIO locals here last week.

They're striking for seven hours

EMPLOYERS, however, hate the short work week like poison. They have offered the workers five cash bribes in eight weeks to return to work at the 40-hour week and the old speedup.

But a couple of bucks a week more mean nothing to the men who are fighting for human conditions of work, with more jobs for more men (at 35 hours) as a depression is looming ahead. I

Brewery Workers' Strike Enters Ninth Week

"Production has risen 300 percent since 1941 with less

Strikers Battling Speedup, for Shorter Work Week-Need Help

The strikers are also demand-installed in the breweries since

Production is stepped up by machinery.

THE DIAMETER of the pipes The brewery workers compare carrying the beer from the vats to their fight for the 35-hour week the filling machines has been to the historic strikes for the doubled to keep up with the maneight-hour day in the late 19th killing pace. The bosses are talking of quadrupling the diameter

MUST in strike demands.

tions in front of the Rheingold and Rupperts breweries last week. ers in other industries, who will And, above all, by speeding up benefit by the short week standards they will win. INDIA POLICE FIRE ON

LABOR DEMONSTRATORS

BOMBAY (ALN). - Police ordered out by Premier Jawaharlal story. Nehru's Indian government wounded many persons when they fired on 500 labor demonstrators And one-man delivery trucks in Bombay. The demonstration are speeded faster. Men have to was held to demand better treatunload more kegs than before. ment for 300 imprisoned labor These kegs weigh 213 pounds. leaders who went on a hunger And dozens of drivers wear her-strike to demand better treatment nia belts or go to the hospital with in Nehru's jails. The leaders, who "Clothes Men Sing About" back injuries from carrying these have been detained without trial 213-pound kegs down the slip-for over a year along with over pery stairs of the taverns at top 25,000 rank-and-filers, include president S. A. Dange and vice-The two-man delivery truck is president S. S. Mirajkar of the All-India Trade Union Congress. Strikers' wives are backing Dange is also a member of the them in the fight. They are World Federation of Trade Unions angrily rejecting an anonymous executive committee.

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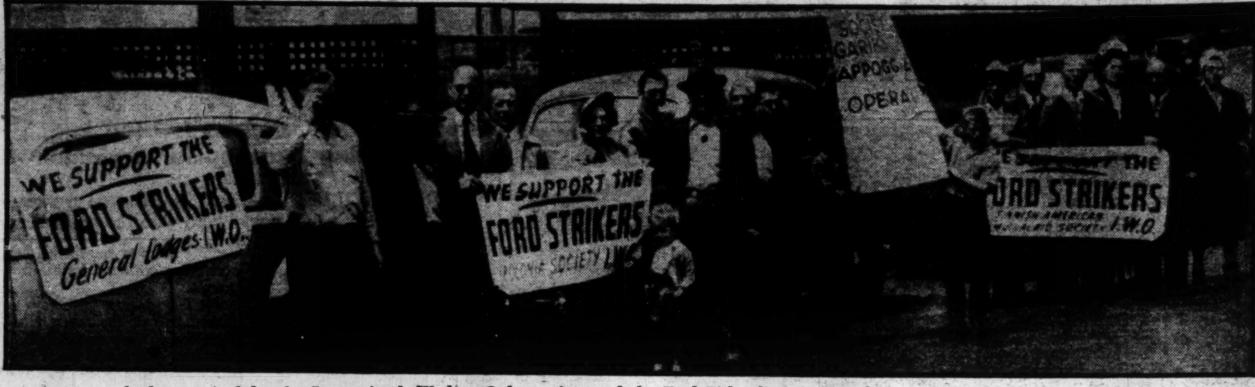
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A car cavalcade organized by the International Workers Order as it toured the Ford Picket lines in Detroit.

Nat'l Board Acts To Split CIO by Threats to Unions

By George Morris

The CIO's reactionary controlling clique, in the first tive board of local 600 which leads meeting since last November's Portland convention, moved 57,000 of the strikers. to split the organization and laid plans to bust any unions refusing to abide by its dictates.

Not since the company-union Wall St. policy.

The executive board of the CIO, usually by a 38 to 11 vote:

· Decided to recommend to the next convention of the CIO rub-out. that the charter of Farm Equipment Workers Union be lifted for its refusal to disband and turn the members over to the United Automobile Workers.

from the CIO if their political and wered back with vigor. foreign policies do not conform to those of the CIO's right wing.

of the steelworkers upon the Ala- ciplinary action against those on bama ore locals of the Mine, Mill Murray's staff who participated in and Smelter Workers which was the attack upon Travis in Bessemer. accompanied by use of Klansmen Hundreds of wires from all parts and anti-Negro terror, and direct- of the country poured into Murray's ed the steelworkers to charter office demanding that goon tactics

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Federation of Trade Unions with the charge that it was "communistled"-an action already carried out arbitrarily by secretary-treasurer James B. Carey last January.

· Endorsed the Atlantic war pact as "an aid to peace,"

statements favoring wage increases based on "fair and equitable" profits; on economic policy, calling for a government-spending program to raise purchasing power. and a legislative resolution calling upon Congress to keep faith with

of intolerance against the left un-cost \$250,000. ions with a fourth of the CIO's membership the like of which has racy in the CIO's top quarters coln, 62,000 strikers out to beat never been seen in the CIO's 14year history.

examination of reasons for the be- counting. The request was distrayal of labor by those who won missed as an affront to Murray. its votes last November. Nothing As fast as the boards of the procame out of the meeting that might gressive led unions meet, they exrally the membership in the fight press their angry retort to the to repeal the Taft-Hartley Law of clique-control and gangsterism to advance any of the other Truthat has reared its head in the man promised measures still col. CIO and their determination not 3—Balanced distribution of cting dust in committees (Continued on Tage 14) CONTROL OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PERSON OF THE

DESPITE the fury and hysteria and former FBI agent in Detroit. the Murray forces built up and urer Maurice Travis, the progressive mmembers on the board reformulation. Served notice to progressive- sive mmembers on the board reled unions that they face ouster fused to be intimidated and ans

Backing them was a large del egation of some 70 representatives · Gave full approval to the raid of Mine-Mill who demanded disand raids stop.

The answer they received was open to approval of the new con- Murray. The charge that his proval already given by the CIO's Klansmen in their campaign legislative pilots when the mea- against Mine-Mill brought the sure came up in the House the claim that such a charge is "bigotry" against Murray. About 45 · Decided to leave the World percent of the membership in the Bessemer locals consists of Negroes who stood almost to a man with Mine-Mill.

During one of his prolonged redbaiting orations, Murray referred charge. to the attack upon Travis as just a "black eye" and as a "minor" skirmish. Travis' right eye was · Took a few minutes time out already removed. The sight of give perfunctory approval to the other eye is still in question.

THE DECISION to lift FE's charter came after a six-month un-shooting of Walter Reuther. successful effort to smash it. Reuther threw as many as 100 and 150 organizers into each plant that Reuther today is locked in a mitted that only one raid, on the Co. THE MEETING met in a spirit McCormick plant of Harvester.

Another measure of the democ-Not a moment was spent in real vention for asking a financial ac-

Strikers Watchful as Ford Tries to Arbitrate Speedup

By William Allan

DEARBORN, Mich. - The 62,000 Ford workers out since May 5 were on the alert this week for any weak settlement of their militant struggle to beat back speedup. Watched particularly-were the arbitration proposals of UAW president Walter Reuther, presented

this last week without any knowl-® edge or discussion with the execu-

As this is written union top brass and Ford company heads The sole "explanation" of the were slated to discuss what the twenties has the labor movement right wing for the diasters labor company wants to make the issue been subject to such a submit-to- suffered in the new congress was for arbitration. Previously, the red-baiting. That, too, was the "ex- Reuther proposal to arbitrate the planation" for the right wing's dis- issue of whether the company has mal failure to liquidate the FE, the right to speed the production office, Mine-Mill, public and other lines over a set standard (known unions marked at Portland for the as 100 per cent) was rejected by Jhn S. Bugas, Ford vice president

> The company let Reuther know their official endorsement of the they were not unhappy about his goon attacks upon secretary-treas- acceptance of the compromise

> > THE ATTEMPTED ASSASSI-NATION of Victor Reuther, UAW educational director, last Tuesday close to midnight, swept the Ford strike off the front pages.

The shooting of Victor Reuther by an unknown assailant was used by the anti-union local press here as the springboard for a new orgy of red-baiting which received encouragement from Victor Reuther's brother Walter.

Walter Reuther trotted out the oft-repeated but never once substantiated or proved charge that either employers, Communists or trol. lascists were responsible. The press picked out the Communist

The attempt to involve Communists in the shooting of Walter Reuther has been the main pursuit of a redbaiting, labor-hating police department for the last 13 months with not a single shred of evidence ever produced to back up the fake

In fact the Detroit police after 13 months was forced to begin arresting underworld elements, one of whom, Carl Bolton, right winger in the UAW and several times convicted criminal, now awaits trial charged with

Completely covered up by the redbaiting local press is the fact

MEANWHILE, down on the picket lines at the Rouge and Lincame with Murray's attack upon back speedup are determined to Harry Bridges and his union's con- win the following demands, which thousands of them have signed petitions supporting. These demands question, but that they were happy

> 1-The speed of the assembly lines to remain constant in line

3-Balanced distribution of



SOLIDARITY FROM CLEVELAND-UE strikers from Fewick plant, in foreground, join picketline at Ford Rouge.

required to work in excess of the telling pickets where they stood normal work to make up losses in on arbitration by saying they production resulting from factors over which the worker has no con-

4-That the 14 discharged workers of the B building and press steel be reinstated and all penalties wiped out.

5-That the issues of speedup in all other buildings be settled on the pattern established by the the paid lunch period. terms of any agreement.

Other points being sought are 24 minutes relief time and more manpower when absenteeism pre-

Reuther, on the other hand, has taken on himself to work out an arbitration proposal that says if by the company the following should go to an impartial arbit-

"Does the company under the contract, have the right to require Rouge pickets believe." campaign. The UAW's leaders ad- strike battle with the Ford Motor an employee to work at a rate of speed in excess of 100 percent of established standards of production and to require a worker to make up production losses result- than 12,000 strikers have applied ing from factors over which the worker has no control?"

> Bugas, in reply, said that Reuther has not properly stated the to see he was for arbitration. It is expected the company will bring in its proposals for arbitration which will probably be to ar- relief is granted to them. bitrate the entire matter and call the strike off in the interim.

ten decides and the neck a

that the individual worker is not leaders at Rouge Local 600 were backed Local 600 President Thompson's position taken in his weekly column appearing recently in Ford Facts, union newspaper.

> Thompson said that arbitration of the 20 minute paid lunch period a year ago resulted in Rouge workers losing \$8,000,000 when the "impartial umpire" ruled out

> "That's what arbitration of an issue did for Local 600 members a little over a year ago. Shall we burn our fingers twice? Of course not" Thompson wrote.

The viciously anti-strike Detroit newspapers with headlines sought the "minor points" are agreed to to deplete the massive picket lines that have been a feature of this strike. They leadline phony stories saying, "Strike nearly over,

Another anti-strike front was actively at work in the form of city and state governments. More and been processed for emergency relief aid but so far in Detroit the relief authorities have accepted only 14 cases.

Using the alibi of "screening" the applicants, strikers are being given appointments for mid-June to be investigated. Meanwhile no

Complete silence on this decisive matter for strikers is being maintained by such shining lights of Americans for Democratic Ac MOST OF THE local union tion in the state as Gov.



Parading up Broadway in New York City, members of the United Office and Professional Workers, CIO, with Miss Picket of 1949 in the lead, continue their all-out fight with the movie companies for genuine contracts with adequate raises and union security.

CANADIANS WIN BACKING AGAINST AFL SCABS

By Art Shields

Longshoremen of the world are helping the Canadian Seamen's colonial and European workers-Union to beat back the American came to the CSU's aid. waterfront scabs and American waterfront goons whom the Sea-United States labor.

As The Worker goes to press, more than 60 Canadian ships, some manned by SIU scabs, are lying helpless and paralyzed in foreign ports.

The longshoremen of the world simply won't move scab ships.

These longshoremen have the unions of the World Federation of Trade Unions and all progressive workers of the world behind them.

Harry Lundeberg, president of the SIU, thought it would be easy to smash the Canadian seamen, when he signed a strikebreaking agreement with the Canadian shipowners two months ago.

The Canadian Seamen's Union was only a little union of some 10,000 members, affiliated with the AFL Trades and Labor Congress of Canada.

States and Canada behind him.

with some 10,000 members.

States and Canada behind him. Jenner, as the committee's head. witness to that.

however, had a mightier allyworld labor.

Negro and white workers-

When Lundeberg's scab airlift unloaded a cargo of SIU scabs in Georgetown, British Guinea, for farers' International Union, AFL, the purpose of manning a Cais flying overseas in the "scab nadian ship carrying bauxite for airlift" operation that is disgracing the Mellons' Aluminum Co. of Canada, there was trouble at once.

British Guinea's workers are oppressed colonial Negroes who hate scabs. And labor's local Political Affairs Committee issued a bulletin denouncing the strike-breakers from the "anti-Negro"

No bauxite must be loaded, the bulletin declared.

"Today Canadian seamen are fighting the bosses.

Workers of British Guinea unite. You cannot remain neutral. Only idiots and fools can be neutral. Help your Canadian brothers!"

The ship was tied up.

WORKERS ON THE other side of the world were defending Canadian seamen against the SIU strikebreaking.

Thus, workers in Capetown, And Lundeberg had the money South Africa, honored the crews of the shipowners of the United of three striking Canadian ships more than 10 Canadian ships are at a demonstration and collected tied up. The SIU was only a little union food and money for them. And And Lundeberg had the money help to set up a strike aid com-

And the police too. The gummen, In Holland the Netherlands "No American gangs who were permitted to shoot seven Seafarers and Transport Workers for Canadian seamen." Canadian strikers in Halifax last Unions have called for help to April with guns run from Mont- the Canadian strikers in their ports. of seven Canadian seamen?" real by SIU strikebreakers, are And in France the longshore-

East African Chiefs to Truman: 'We'll Fight Only for Our Lives'

Semakula Molumba, London representative of the chieftains of Uganda (East Africa) has sent an open letter to President Truman. A copy of it was sent to the United Nations.

"I write to you in the name of the chieftains of Uganda people. You, your government, the whole American people should know that we Negroes, as well as the other nations in the subject territories, all of us who are suffering from the horrors of imperialism, do not want any war, and that we will not fight.

"Why did we fight and die in the two World Wars? Was it for freedom? We are constantly kept in conditions of political, economic and social slavery. Was it for progress? Our progress is deliberately kept back by the colonial countries' policy. Was it for our welfare and prosperity? We are forced to live in constant poverty and privation.

Was it for our self-determination? We are ruled by foreigners, who usurped the political rule in our countries. We Negroes have nothing of any value. We have nothing to defend except our

Though we are deprived of any of your Western values and occratic rights, which you say you intend to defend, we will allow you to deprive us of our very lives."

Brotherhood Chiefs Squirm as **FEPC Probe Gets Jimcrow Proof**

By Robert Wood

to oppose the employment of Ne- ington attorney. groes as engineers, firemen, conroads in this country."

fit for Brotherhood membership.

Congressional subcommittee examthem.

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THIS IS a sample of the kind of material the CIO United Packinghouse Workers Union is putting out in connection with its boycott on the products of the anti-union Wilson & Co.

that Lundeberg's scabs want to

Lundeberg's airlift scabs got the hottest reception in Britain, where

welcomed Canadian ships' strikof the shipowners of the United mittee, with its secretary, Tony ers, who picketed Canadian shipping offices with signs saying: "No American gangster unions

"Do you condemn the shooting

And in Liverpool the crew of itness to that.

men, affiliated with the WFTU, the 22,000-ton troopship, The THE CANADIAN SEAMEN, are tying up the Canadian ships Empress of Australia, walked off the ship in a demonstration of solidarity with the Canadian sea-

The sailing of troops to Port Said was delayed for some time. DOCK WORKERS' strikes spread from Avonmouth to Bristol on the southwest of England when group of longshoremen were laid off for refusing to handle cargo from the struck ships. More than 1,200 longshoremen took part in this action.

"Solidarity is an old working class term," said the London Daily Worker, which is mobilizing support for the Canadian strikers. And it holds in this strike as far north as Narvik (Norway), as far south as Australia; it is effective in South Africa and the West Indies, in Canada and in Nova

"That is the way strikes are won. . . . It is the way this battle

erhoods, in a joint letter on May Adam C. Powell (D-NY), was told 15, 1914, demanded that Col. that the gross discrimination pracbuilding the Panama Canal, stop and more years ago persists to this employment of Negro railroad was placed in the record in dra-workers because "it is the policy matic and detailed testimony by of the train service organizations Charles H. Houston, noted Wash-

ductors, and brakemen, on the rail- FOUR _ BROTHERHOODS' vice-presidents appeared at the At the 1910 convention of the hearing, brought there on threat of Brotherhood of Locomotive En-subpoena. Houston, who spoke for gineers, one vice-president happily the Negro Railway Labor Execureported he had abandoned the drive to organize Cuban railroad tives Association, a federation of workers. He said the drive had five unions of skilled Negro railbeen planned before he realized road workers, made short work of that the people of that island were the "explanations" and doublea mixture of "renegade Spanish and talk behind which the four Broth-Jamaica Negro" and therefore not erhood witnesses attempted to hide. Both Houston and Rep. These were but two of many Powell emphasized they were not documents read into the May 17 hostile to unions but to the disand 18 hearings conducted by a crimination practiced by many of

> The four vice-presidents were a sight to see. Ancient men they were, on bad speaking terms with the truth, and wiggling to hide behind a hundred pretenses. Jonas McBride, BLF&E spokesman, acted like he had just returned from Heaven. His voice was sanctimonious and pious. He was pained, he said, at the overtones of "antagonism" he seemed to detect at the hearing. More than that, said McBride, his Brotherhood was only "a fraternal guild" when it started. This, he implied, made everything okay.

John Corbett, who is Assistant Grand Chief Engineer of the BLE, kept a straight face while he reminded Rep. Powell that his Brotherhood's "for white men only" clause not only kept out Negro railroaders. It excluded "white and colored women" as well.

THE MOST SULLEN and flaunting witness was Harry See, BRT vice-president. He said he favored a jimcrow union because that "eliminates disruption among the men." When Cong. Powell suggested such a view was neither good unionism nor democracy, See retorted, "That's your opinion."

W. V. Johnson, ORC vice- president, complained he missed the reception for Brazil's Dictator Dutra by being brought to the hearing. There the London Daily Worker Johnson, to "prove" his union practhe Trades and Labor Council reported that London workers ticed no discrimination, read a contract provision made with many railroads which excluded Negroes 'only" from jobs as flagmen, baggagemen and yard foremen.

> Several white Brotherhood members had previously wired the sub-

By Robert Wood ining the need for a Federal Fair committee, requesting they be per-The "Big Four" Railroad Broth- Employment Practices Act. The mitted to testify in support of FEPC. Their wires denounced the discriminatory policies of their George W. Goethals, in charge of ticed by the Brotherhoods for 35 Brotherhoods. The outrageous testimony their "leaders" gave the committee will lead, they say, to a campaign among the railroads' 350,000 operating workers to wipe out the exclusion clauses in the four Brotherhoods' constitutions.

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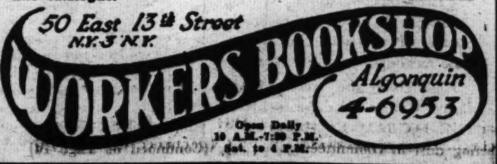
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Wall Street Wields South As Blackjack Over Nation

As fountainhead of racist poison and barrier in Congress to social welfare, jimerow Dixie is a constant threat to welfare and liberties of ALL Americans. In their own interest, white Americans, North and South, find it imperative and urgent to help southern progressives destroy the system of Negro oppression.

By SAM HALL

Chairman, Communist Party of Alabama

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.

IN MONTGOMERY County, Ga., a young Negro farmer, Isaiah Nixon, is murdered because he insisted on voting. A small white farmer in Alabama walks into the tax collector's office in late January. A clerk figures with a pencil. "You haven't paid for six years and six times \$1.50 is \$9.00." The farmer shrugs helplessly and walks out. It's winter and he can't afford the money for the right to vote.

In Washington, D. C., the House of Representatives is in session. Its Democratic Party majority was elected on a program that included repeal of the Taft-Hartley slave labor bill. Already Truman has offered a weak compromise that would stab labor in the back. Emboldened by this act, the southern Democrats and the Republicans join hands in a familiar pattern. Representative Wood, of Georgia, offers a bill that would change the name but leave the fact of Taft-Hartley. Only a parliamentary maneuver by Rep. Vito Marcantonio, (American Labor Party, N. Y.) blocks the passage of the Wood Bill. However, these southern Democrats and Republicans hold the whip hand.

Truman Makes Deal With the Dixiecrats

This is not a new story. Throughout the days of Roosevelt's New Deal the southern Democrats, elected by a small minority of the population, teamed up with Republicans to block New Deal measures. A South which is controlled by the Wall Street-plantation landlord alliance instead of its people is a constant threat to the welfare and liberties of all the nation.

During the Presidential election the appearance of the Dixiecrats, a fascist

Solidarity Weeks Set May 29 – June 12

There can be no fight against war, without a fight against the war on the Negro people, incited by the nation's warmakers.

There can be no fight for "rights," which do not include "rights" for the 15 million Negro Americans.

For these reasons, a mass national campaign to FREE THE INGRAMS is being developed.

For these reasons, the 14th Convention of the Communist Party set May 29 through June 12 as "weeks of solidarity with the fighting South."

During these weeks, Communist Party meetings throughout the country will discuss the South. Southern Party leaders will address mass meetings.

Highlighting the "weeks of solidarity" will be the drive to FREE THE INGRAM FAMILY. movement, dramatized the fact that a reactionary-controlled South offers a springboard for rising American fascism. What should be kept in mind is that the Dixiecrats are actually the fascist wing of the Democratic Party. It becomes clearer daily that Truman has reached certain agreements with the Dixiecrats.

Jack Bell, a columnist for the Scripps-Howard chain of newspapers, wrote recently that Truman has made a definite deal with the southern Democrats. Bell declared (and he hasn't been contradicted) that Truman agreed not to push the civil rights program if the southern Democrats would support fully the cold war program. The facts support Bell's statement. When the filibuster fight, a necessary step to passing civil rights measures, came up, Truman left Washington and went fishing in Key West, Fla.; and southern Democrats give full support to all cold war measures.

What is it about the South that allows reaction to maintain such a tight grip?

The answer lies in a crescent shaped section of the South called the Black Belt. Negroes, descendants of slaves, make up a majority in this section, yet they live under the semi-slave domination of the plantation owners. They live in economic bondage, without political rights, and face open terror "to keep them in their place." The national oppression of the Negro people in the Black Belt results in backwardness for the entire South—to low wages, restricted democracy, and to low educational and health standards. Only the smashing of this oppression can open the door to progression can open

And that's not all the story by any means.

In New York City the Negro people

are crowded into the slums of Harlem. In Trenton, N. J., six young Negro men are framed on a murder charge. Race riots are instigated in Detroit to divide white and Negro workers. All examples of the discrimination pattern that faces Negroes all over this land. It all leads back to the South.

How the Cancer Poisons The Entire Body Politic

The cancer of national oppression of the Negro people in the Black Belt spreads its poison throughout our country. The Negro people in other sections can never win full freedom until the fountainhead of jimcrow is smashed until the oppressed Negro nation in the South is liberated.

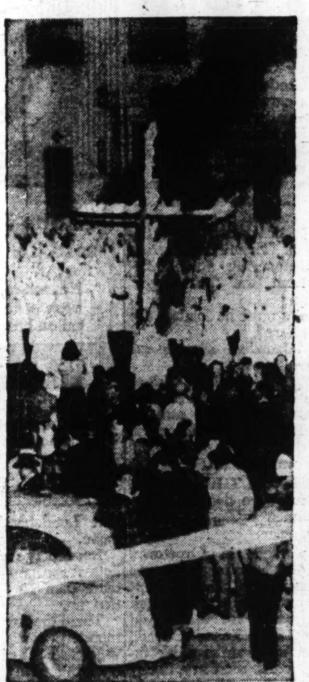
New England textile workers see another threat in the South. Textile bosses are stepping up a movement that started decades ago _ the transfer of textile mills to the South. This is proof of what a threat an overwhelmingly unorganized South is to the American labor movement. Industry has long maintained a southern wage differential which gives southern workers less wages than those paid to workers in other sections for the same work. Now industry is taking advantage of unorganized conditions to put over a differential in speed up. Southern textile workers are forced, for instance, to produce far more per hour than is produced by New England workers. This is used in turn to break down New England workers' opposition to further speed up. The organization of southern unorganized workers is a necessityl

Key to organizing the South is the

the smashing of the oppression of the Negro people in order that labor and the Negro people's movement can be united into a mighty tide that will sweep away southern reaction.

The Crime of the CIO Right-Wingers

However, rightwing misleaders of labor are more and more using anti-Negro prejudices among the whites to maintain control of the southern labor movement and to smash progressive unions. Right-



Hooded Ku Klux Klansmen gather around a fiery cross on the lawn of the Emanuel County Court at Swainsboro, Ga., after marching in single file around the town square and through the residential section of town.

Negroes line up to vote in Georgia.

wing CIO leaders have adopted the anti-Negro weapon of the bosses and in many places are mixed up with the KKK.

Readers of The Worker who saw the picture of a battered Maurice Travis, international secretary-treasurer of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union, began to understand how far labor misleaders who tie themselves to Wall Street's foreign policy will go. Murray sent Nick Zonarich to Bessemer, Ala., to lead a union-wrecking drive against the



SAM HALL

progressive Mine, Mill union. Steel leaders under Zonarich told white ore miners, "Join the steel union and get in a white man's union." Then seeing that this alone would not mobilize these white miners, they launched a KKK type reign of terror that was climaxed in the beating of Travis. Among the hoodlums used were KKK-minded white steel workers who bragged that they helped beat Nick Migas when he put forward a progressive program at the United Steel Workers' convention.

In Winston-Salem the Murray forces are raiding the FTA (CIO) locals that made history in the struggles against the Camel plant of R. J. Reynolds and in organizing Negro tobacco workers in the Black Belt area of eastern North Carolina. In short CIO misleaders have joined hands in tactics with the Wall Street-plantation rulers of the South to hold back progress.

Duty of Nation To South's Progressives

However, progressive forces in the South are growing. In state after state an awakening Negro liberation movement is winning victories in the struggle for the right to vote. Since 1940 the number of registered Negro voters in the South has risen from 150,000 to almost one million. The rise of the Progressive Party in the South has given southern people, Negro and white, a weapon that will prove historic in the coming period.

The reconstitution of the Communist Party in the South, following its liquidation under Browder, has been followed by growing strength and consolidation of this key weapon for progress in the South. The recent appointment of liberal Frank Graham to fill out a term as United States Senator from North Carolina was recognition of the growing militancy of the southern people. The rulers of the South saw that an open reactionary could not stop the mov and of the people toward progress and particularly toward the Progressive Party.

Because the South is so important to the whole nation, workers and other progressives throughout the country must take steps to help southern people defeat reaction. A national anti-poll tax bill must be forced through Congress, as well as anti-lynching and FEPC laws. A great national crusade must win the freedom of Mrs. Rosa Ingram, whose imprisonment in Georgia is a symbol of the oppression of the Negro people. Workers must force labor leaders to organize the unorganized southern workers on the basis of full Negro-white unity and to fight for the liberation of the Negro people in the South. The suicidal "disorganizing" raids by Murray forces in the South must be stopped!

A full mobilization of all people's forces in the South and nationally can turn the South from a Wall Street reserve into a great people's reserve for equal rights and democracy.

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Negroes Spearhead Fight To Democratize the South

Southern whites are grappling with the growing realization that they cannot solve their own problems without smashing the jimerow system. But their initiative still lags while lily-white policies of rightwing labor leaders help the Dixiecrats and absentee Bourbons by retarding the growth of Negro-white working class unity.

By EDWARD L. HARDY

HOUSTON, Tex.

THE semi-feudal, semi-colonial, L backward South, with its nine million oppressed Negro people and great masses of super-exploited poor whites, is today witnessing a growing unity in struggle for Negro liberation unsurpassed since the days of Reconstruction after the Civil War. This fusion of the Negro people and a substantial number of whites, particularly workers, is unleashing the tremendous revolutionary spirit of the Negro people. It is also steering the discontent and struggles of the poor whites into grappling with the key question of the South-Negro liberation. For these whites realize that they CANNOT SOLVE THEIR OWN PROBLEMS without dealing with this fundamental and basic question.

It cannot be emphasized too much that the great significance of this fusion lies in the fact that it is taking place in the South, striking at the heart and core of the national oppression of the Negro people. For it is from here that the oppression of 15 million American Negroes stems. It is the South, too, with its backward economy of lowest wages, and sharecropper and tenant slavery, that drags down the whole economic life of the United States. The extracting of super-profits from the Southern workers speeds up the economic crisis and makes it more devas-

tating. This great upsurge of Negro-white unity in the South has added significance because it takes place at a time when Wall Street and its Southern lackeys have embarked on a course of world domination and war in order to prop up their moribund, decaying system. This course requires that the expense of billions of dollars for Marshall Plan and Atlantic Pact armaments be footed by the American workers. It means deterioration of their living standards. But for the Southern workers, and in particular the Negro masses, already suffering from insufficient diet, housing in wretched hovels, and heavy unemployment-to fight Wall Street's course becomes a life and death question, a fight for their very existence.

How War Plot Intensifies Oppression of Negroes

The program for war advocated by the Truman Administration in the name of "defense" relies heavily upon the South to meet the fabulous budget. In short, it requires an increase in the superexploitation of the Southern masses, Therefore it requires not only continuation of the vicious Jimcrow system but INCREASED antagonism between Negro and white workers, among the people as a whole.

These brutal facts tear asunder the demagogy of Truman, strip him of his tin halo as a "savior" of the Negro people. His demagogy on civil rights served as a whetstone for the Dixiecrats and other fascists to grind their axe against the Negro people. If Truman is to be given credit for anything it must be for the increased bloodshed, lynchings, frame-ups that have been launched against the Negro people, coupled with a degeneration of the standard of living of the white workers.

For the Wall Street gang, hell-bent

the Soviet Union and the new democracies of Europe, the South is a testing ground and a base for establishing fascism. This is shown in the rise of the fascist Dixiecrat Party. To accomplish their aims of dominating and crushing other nations, the American imperialists intend to "secure their rear" by beating back the rising national liberation struggles of the Negro people.

Thus the South has been thrown into turmoil by the establishment of the new political machine, the Dixiecrats; by the reviving or strengthening of the old fascist organizations (like the KKK); by the switch from demagogy to naked violence to smash the growing anti-fascist, antiwar sentiments of the Negro people.

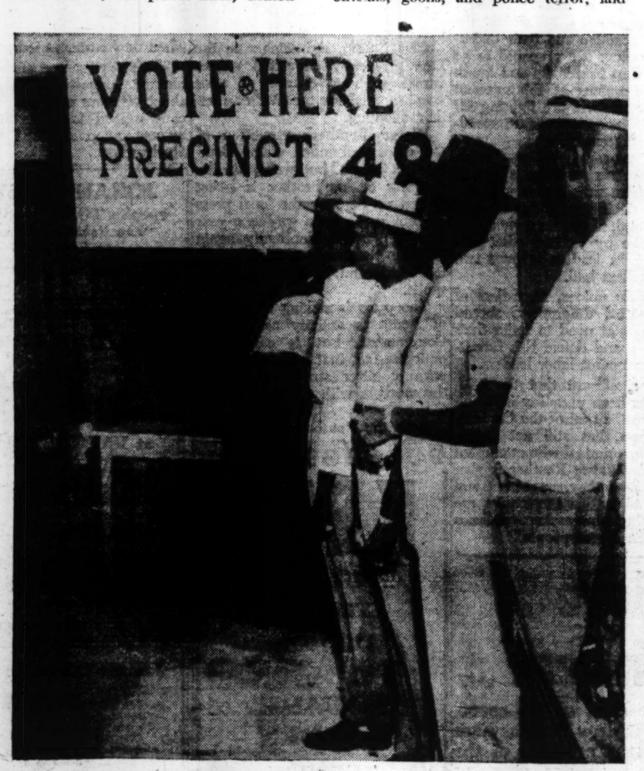
Negroes' Struggle Unmasks Right-Wing Labor Officials

The Negro people, in alliance with progressive whites, are meeting the offensive of big-business head-on. The many interracial delegations to legislative bodies, the picket lines, demon-

and against speed-up—this fight is forging unity among the rank and file of Necro and white workers.

Thus the gap is widened between the reformist labor leaders, trying to carry out the program of big business, and the rank and file of labor. It is therefore no accident that these reformist labor leaders, in their new role for this period, hate and fear above all the Negro workers. They use the bosses' own weapon of white chauvinism, of "divide and rule," to force their policies on the workers.

An outstanding example of the role of the Southern Negro worker can be found in the National Maritime Union, where in the last 10 months OVER 200 NEGRO SEAMEN were expelled in the Southern ports because they fought consistently and militantly against the attempt of president Curran and Co. to turn their union into a company-type, redbatting, pro-imperialist outfit. Their hero'c struggle, in the face of traitorous officials, goons, and police terror, laid



Negro voters go to the poll in Georgia

strative actions for FEPC, against the polltax, for anti-lynch laws, for an end to Jimcrow in education, for an end to police brutality; the great struggles to free the Ingrams and the Trenton Sixthese are direct blows against the barbarous system of Jimcrow, and national oppression.

The militant fight by Negro trade unionists in the South for wage increases; for an end to discriminatory practices in hiring, firing, and grading of employees; for a shorter work week

the basis for the recognition today by a large portion of white seamen in the Gulf that they must unite with the Negro members to return this once most powerful union to a progressive course.

In such examples as this, multiplied a thousand and one times, one can see how the Negro proletariat has moved into the leadership of the whole struggle for Negro liberation. One can further see how the Negro workers have served to stir the entire Southern working class to assume their historic role.



ED HARDY

of leading the struggle against the ruling class.

A basic feature that distinguishes the present struggle for Negro liberation, that gives it its special quality, is the change of leadership from the hands of the bourgeoisie among the Negro people to those of the Negro working class.

This transition of leadership deepens the revolutionary content of the demands of the Negro liberation movement, and provides new militant forms of struggle. Under the leadership of the Negro workers the basis was laid for winning united action with the white workers, for linking up the Negro liberation movement with the struggles of the working class.

The growth and high level of political consciousness among Southern Negroes is well shown in the number of Negro candidates for office in the South during the last national election. Twenty-three Negroes ran for office in coalition with 37 white candidates on the Progressive Party ticket. The number of Negroes qualified to vote increased from 211,000 in 1940 to 750,000 in 1948.

In desperation, the bandits of Wall Street have called upon their henchmen in the ranks of the Negro people to divert and confuse them, betraying them into the hands of the blood-thirsty capitalists and landlord hangmen. What an outcry was made against Paul Robeson for stating at the Paris Peace Conference: "It is unthinkable that American Negroes would go to war on behalf of those who have oppressed us for generations, against a country which in one generation has raised our people to the full dignity of mankind."

Neither the labor reformists, nor misleaders of the Negro people, nor Dixiecrat lynchers will be able to halt the onward march of the Negro liberation movement. In the vanguard of this movement and of the working class are to be found the Communists of the South. The reconstitution of the Communist Party in the South, riding itself of the influence of Earl Browder's revisionism, marked a great milestone in the advance of the Negro people. Once more, the Communist Party has resumed that militant role which yesterday won the freedom of the Scottsboro boys and which today is again rousing millions in our country and throughout the world for the freedom of the Ingrams, and of the Trenton Six, for an end to the brutal oppression of the Negro people.

The Communist Party is the only party which advances a permanent solution for the Negro "Question": the right of self-determination of the Negro people in that historically defined area, the "Black Belt," where they constitute an oppressed MAJORITY, bound to land they have always tilled but never possessed.

Only the Communist Party advances the demand that the Negro sharecroppers and tenant farmers shall own the

Only the Communist Party fights for Socialism, which would abolish exploitation of man by man, thereby ending forever national hatreds and national oppression, thus closing the door upon the capitalist system, source of the discrimination and oppression suffered by the Negro people.

HERD SCABS AT MILLER PLANT



COP AT LEFT has just arrested John De Costa, CIO office worker, whose back is to the wall, at the I. Miller shoe plant in Long Island City. Arrest was made at the request of Edward Curley, tall man with man in right center, who is bringing in scabs to break the CIO office workers' strike. Curley is employed by the AFL office union, Local 153, which lost a Labor Board eelction at the plant.

Buckmaster, Rightwing Head Of Rubber Workers, Is Ousted

AKRON, O.-The removal of L. auto where the rank and file is in-S. Buckmaster as president of the sisting on action instead of a re-United Rubber Workers, CIO, is treat flowing from the class colin great part a reflection of the de-ray, Walter Reuther of auto, and termination by the rank and file to Buckmaster. return the union to its old time militancy.

While Buckmaster's dismissal came on the charge of interfering of Reuther over the International with the affairs of Local 336 of apparatus. Pottstown, Pa., without regard for the democratic rights of the membership, the step climaxed a steady growth of opposition to the conservative International president.

Buckmaster attempted to lead tiations, but the policy committee decided instead that a 25-cent wage increase should be the first strike. Ford's unyielding position objective with pensions secondary. in auto undoubtedly will be

But Buckmatser never succeeded in establishing a dictatorship such as Murray's in steel, nor did he even approach the domination

The negotiations in rubber are under way with the Goodrich workers, led by George Bass, spearheading the struggle.

The rubber workers are under the International into a position of no illusions that success may drop pensions only" in this year's nego- in their daps without a struggle and realize the possibility of a In many respects the situation in matched by the rubber trust, it is rubber is comparable to that of understood.

Use Reuther Shooting for Redbaiting

Thirteen months ago, when

death at the hands of an unknown

and remain free to this day.

munist Party.

By William Allan

DETROIT, May 25.-The attempted assassination of Victor Reuther, brother of ceived any threats from Com-United Auto Workers president Walter Reuther, by an unknown assailant close to midnight last night, is being used here today as the springboard for a new orgy of redbaiting and provocation against the Com-

DENOUNCES SHOOTING OF V. REUTHER

Labor Secretary of the Commu- and Ferguson bills. nist Party, yesterday issued the fol- "These acts of individual terror lowing statement on the attempted show the lengths to which the assassination of Victor Reuther:

Only a short time ago an organizer when the workers are fighting for ther shorting of the International Ladies Gar- new wage increases, against speed- ther shooting. ment Workers in New York City up, for job security, etc. was murdered. It is apparent that "The growing police terror the wild, unfounded claim Com- Steelworkers. this is a new effort by the forces against workers on strike is part of munists "might" be involved in the of reaction to terrorize the entire these attacks. It is in line with the shooting of his brother is being trade union movement at a time infamous decision of Judge Connell picked up here by the local press when the workers are struggling against the employers' attempts to lower their living standards and then held its leaders in over two give the real asailants opportunity smash their trade unions.

this outrageous attack on Victor their political differences, should Reuther, as a year ago it con- see the urgent need to unite their demned the shooting of his brother forces now and defeat this fascist-Walter, and calls for the immedi-like terror against labor leaders. ate apprehension and punishment "It is significant that the FBI of those responsible.

against individual trade union lead- nist leaders, has still not appreers reflect the growth of fascist re- hended the criminal who attempted action as expressed in the Taft- to murder Walter Reuther a year Hartley Act, the so-called 'loyalty' ago, nor have they sought out and oaths, and the state and national brought to justice those who are

forces of reaction and their under-"The shooting of Victor Reuther is the latest in a series of similar attacks on trade union leaders."

World hirelings are prepared to go in their effort to weaken and smash the trade unions at the moment attacks on trade union leaders.

Carl Bolton, rightwinger in the UAW, recently convicted on an armed robbery charge, is now furnace department and idled awaiting trial for the Walter Reu

million dollars bail.

"The Communist Party condemns "All trade unions, regardless of

which has been parading its stool-These increasing terrorist acts pigeons in the trial of the Commulegislation to outlaw the Commu-perpetrating increasing violence nist Party dramatized in the Mundt against the Negro people."

police here that they had never remunists. Despite this, local cops are telling reporters that the hunt for the group behind the shootings of the Reuther brothers is to be national and international.

Walter Reuther narrowly escaped 27 Crucible Workers Strike for 5 Days

assailant, the labor hating, red-MIDLAND. - Twenty - seven baiting police department here questioned and harassed many workers at the Crucible Steel Co.'s progressive unionists, while the plant here struck for five days over actual firer of the shots escaped the company's attempt to cut furnace crews from three to two men

pany agreed to settle the matter Walter Reuther's repetition of by negotiation with the CIO United

JOHANNES STEEL

speaks TONITE (SUN.) The Rebirth of Nazism in Germany" New Musical Show by Caravans—8 P.M ALP HALL, 1723 BOSTON ROAD

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Hint D. of J. Move to Indict Harry Bridges

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif.-Department of Justice officials today would neither confirm nor deny that they are seeking the indictment of Harry Bridges, president of the CIO International Longshoremen's®

and Warehousemen's Union. Rumors that some sort of prosecution of the militant labor leader was in the offing have been current here for several days, but it was not until last night that they Harry Bridges of the ILWU inwere brought into the open by the dicted.

here today, and during its morning istration to deliver on its election and Naturalization Service, was tional CIO executive board. seen flitting in and out of the jury

However, Boyd was tight lipped, and parried all queries by the press. The official ILWU statement last night said:

"We have learned that the administration has ordered President

"Mr. Bridges has been a severe The Federal Grand Jury met critic of the failure of the adminsitting, John P. Boyd, deputy compromises, being particularly critical missioner of the U. S. Immigration at the recent meeting of the na-

When the grand jury broke up for lunch today, according to the Boyd reputedly is Attorney Gen-best information available, it had al Tom Clark's "Cet Bridges" not discussed the Bridges case.

to escape and continue their as-

Communists, but is careful to

omit the fact that he is connected

with a bitter strike struggle of

he workers with the Ford Motor

Both the Reuther brothers told

The press is making much here of Reuther's activity against the

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TUESDAY EVENING

NOTABLES JOIN CIVIL RIGHTS CALL FOR STATE CONFERENCE

Clifford Odets, Dr. Henry Pratt Fairchild, Dashiell Hammett, and O. John Rogge joined with the Civil Rights Congress and prominent labor leaders this week in a call to a state-wide conference on civil®

scheduled for June 25, in City Cen- cussions. ter Casino, 135 W. 55 St.

250 public leaders, declares:

it will mean that every American will be deprived of the right to judge and choose, according to his own best interests, what political party to support, what books he may read, what beliefs he may hold."

Rabbi Michael Alper; Marlon Brando; Prof. Dorothy Brewster; David Burliuk; Sam Burt, Manager, Joint Board Fur Dressers and Dvers, CIO; Costas Cakoulas, Local 471, Hotel and Restaurant Workers, AFL, Albany; Charence Carr, President, District 3, International Fur and Leather Workers Union, CIO, Gloversville; Revels Cayton.

Rev. J. N. C. Davis; Leon J. Davis, Local 1199 Retail Drugstone Employes;

may read, what beliefs he may hold."

A letter from Odets, Fairchild, Hammett, Robeson and Rogge, urging endorsement of the conference, declared:

"This letter is one of the most important ones we have ever signed. It urgently asks you to join us, along with dozens of trade union leaders, artists, writers and other professionals in sponsoring a conference on Civil, and Human Rights. Time is perhaps tragically short."

The Call invites "representatives of organizations and of all sections of the people in New York State to discuss ways and means to take action on the dangers confronting us all."

Naming the trial of the Communist leaders as the gravest danger, it observes: "While the trials proceed in Foley Square, ostensibly against Communists alone, active support of peace becomes dangerous." It sets forth the numerous affronts to the rights of labor, the attempts to terrorize the Negro people, to intimidate educators and writers, and infilame anti-Semitism.

Workers Union, CIO, Patels J. N. C. Davis; Leon J. Davis, Local 1190, Retail Drugstone Employee; Dr. Arnold B. Donawa; Retil Drugstone Employee; Durg, President, Society of Saint Dymresident, Society of Saint Dymresiden hysteria against the foreign born and inflame anti-Semitism.

We Americans who cherish our

Center at 10:00 a.m., with a general session, and in the afternoon delegates will work out a program of action in four panel groups. These are: Labor's Rights and Economic Interests, The Fight for shortage, residential building the Negro Rights and Against All Dis- first quarter of 1949 was 12 percrimination, Academic, Intellectual cent under the similar period in and Religious Freedom; and Com- 1948.

rights and the trial of the 12 Community Needs. Leading experts in munist leaders. The conference is these fields will lead the panel dissected the second s

Among those who have endorsed the The call, endorsed by more than public leaders, declares:

"If these 12 men are convicted, Rabbi Michael Alper; Marlon Brando; Will mean that appears that appears that appears the conference are:

Rev. Charles B. Ackley, D.D.; David Alman, Contemporary Writers; Dr. George E. J. Banks; Rabbi Abraham J. Bick; Rabbi Michael Alper; Marlon Brando; Prof. Depothy Brando; Brando;

LESS MEAT BEING USED

freedom have the responsibility of defending it," the Call warns. "We pounds of meat. This percapital pounds of meat. The conference will open in City consumption slumped to 146 pounds in 1948. The reason? High prices.

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A MESSAGE TO THE N. Y. STATE COMMITTEE COMMUNIST PARTY

This is a reply to your call for fullest support to the Testimonial Dinner in honor of the 12 leaders of our Party at St. Nicholas Arena on June 3rd.

This is a reply and a pledge-to guarantee the success of the Dinner.

> Manhattan pledges 800 tickets Brooklyn pledges 480 tickets **Bronx pledges 320 tickets** Queens pledges 160 tickets Cultural Division pledges 125 tickets

We recognize the special importance of this Dinner as the starting point of a highly-intensified campaign to defend "the 12" and "the 12 times 12 million"-a campaign outside the courtroom which will match the heroic fight being conducted by our comrades at Foley Square. We see in this Dinner a way to honor our comrades on trial most meaningfully-by helping to advance the fight which they are leading as courageously. By fulfilling our pledges, our organizations will help make the June 3rd Dinner a true testimonial to our National Committee and to the unflagging straggle of our Party for the best interests of the American people.

Manhattan:

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People's Lobby to Push Bills Dropped by Truman

The newly-formed People's Lobby yesterday sent a "calling card" to President Truman and every member of Congress, advising them that they would be visited on June 8 by thousands of New Yorkers. This was the answer of the People's Lobby, according to its Washington led by the Unem- "revolution" to take place during

spokesman, Paul Ross, to the announcement by Sen. Scott Lucas increased compensation for un-leader of the medical lobby, said

Caling the decision a "cynical frozen out by the 'cold war' and the North Atlantic pact. Billions People's Lobby." are being spent for war," he said, MEDICAL DELEGATION "and only pennies for peace."

declared.

Growing unemployment, he Dr. Leo Mayer, chairman of the said, emphasized the need for ex-medical division of the Arts,

trols and public housing.

Although the People's Lobby betrayal of election pledges," Ross was formed prior to Lucas' analso said it was "stunning proof nouncement, the Administration's that the people's needs are being no-fight decision, Ross said, "am-

A large delegation of doctors, "We shall make an all-out ef- dentists and other members of the fort to take off the shelf such sore-medical profession will go to ly needed measures as health in- Washington June 8 in an all-out surance, higher minimum wages, effort to save national health in- emphasized. "It will be made by the civil rights program, etc.," he surance at this session of Con-

that the Truman Administration employed veterans, lowering of vesterday the announced decision had decided to abandon key legis-lative measures at this session of lative measures at the lative m has aroused the medical profession. of the land.

> Dr. Mayer charged that the health insurance program was introduced for the record by the the formal honoring of an election of Karl Marx's Capital, Volume 1. promise and at the same time its violation since no fight was made for its fulfillment," he declared.

those who know best what it medical care—the members of the tended unemployment insurance, Sciences and Professions, and a medical and allied professions."

JOHN GATES OPENS

(Continued from Page 3) threw himself into the struggle ship. nist Party. It was their demand Sacher established, through

Gates testified that he left City College before he was 19-in February, 1932-worked at odd jobs and studied economics. With a ply confirms the need for the Truman Administration. "It was student friend he wrote a synopsis

> Though Gates, in later years as editor of the Daily Worker, used member or officer of the Commuthe synopsis to prepare a pro- nist Party or Young Communist gram against the depression, Mc- League teach and advocate the "But a fight will be made," he Gohey objected to its introduc-overthrow of the government by prosecutor.

"You cannot divorce Marx's means to be without adequate Capital from Marxism-Leninism," Defense Attorney Sacher contended, "any more than you can divorce Damon from Pythias. Here is the economic and philosophical foundation of Marxism-tion it taught the only way eco-Leninism which disproves the charge of force and violence."

The Judge, however, was adamant. He ruled out the Cates summary though he said, reluc-

If O'Dwyer actually removes GATES LATER TOLD how he will certainly unite behind a com- came an organizer for the YCL mon candidate-a candidate who and the Steel and Metal Workers would give the "mostest for the Industrial Union. He told the leastest." The possibility of a jury how he was arrested in War-Republican-phony Fusion-Liberal ren as he was about to address a coalition against a weak Demo- meeting in front of the courthouse cratic candidate is an ominous to demand unemployment insurelectoral threat to the people of ance and relief for the jobless. He told how he defended himself The American Labor Party, in court, arguing for the right of which has the real balance of free speech and the needs of the unconstitutional by the U. S. Su-

"I was given no chance to defend myself at all," Gates said, "even by a lawyer or by myself. I opened my mouth and the Mayor of Newcastle (the judge) shut me up and sentenced me." "Gates told how he worked on a WPA job from 1934 to 1935, and for the Cable Construction More than 700,000 Negroes the tacit support of colleagues in 1936. Later he took a job as a Co., on a PWA job, from 1935 to

> He joined the Communist Party in 1933 while in Youngstown.

"I felt the Communist Party had the only and best solution to The ALP, faced with a dra- the problems of America, and I out the jobs held by Negroes, matic and rich opportunity to joined the Communist Party bemost of whom had job seniority elect a real progressive Fusion cause it was the party of Social-If the rules Committee should of five to seven years," he added, candidate in the image of La- ism," Gates told the jury, "be-Stephen S. Jackson, former Guardia, can be relied upon to cause it stood for the abolition of justice of the New York Domestic provide the electorate with the capitalism with private ownership Relations Court urged passage of only pro-peace, pro-labor, pro- of the means of production in the

> But the big question still is: HE SAID he joined the Party in order "to replace capitalism In the meantime, taking his with a socialist system where the

although they are less than 10 clerical jobs and only 26 super- and Deputy Mayor John J. Ben- full economic meaning of the political drive to unseat the labor-percent of the population.

| Colorical jobs and only 26 super- and Deputy Mayor John J. Ben- full economic meaning of the political drive to unseat the labor- means of production in the hands baiting Yoshida government and

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but that of big monopoly owner-

for academic freedom, as well as Sacher then read to the jury the campaigns for the Scottsboro testimony by Herbert Philbrick, boys and Tom Mooney. He was second prosecution witness and a student delegate in 1931 in the FBI informer, alleging that the first National Hunger March to Communist Party has a plan for ployed Councils and the Commu- a "depression" or during a "war."

for unemployment insurance that Cates, that the years from 1929 captured the imagination of mil- to 1937 were years of deep eco-

> "Did the Communist Party at any time during that period teach the overthrow and destruction of the U. S. Government by force and violence?

"It did not," Gates replied.

"Did you at any time as a

"Never."

THE COMMUNIST PARTY taught, Gates continued, "that the people of the United States had to be protected against -the ravages of the crises. And in addinomic crises could be abolished forever was by the establishment of socialism."

The editor said socialism would come when the majority of the people wanted it. He pointed out revolutions occurred only when the people can no longer live under existing conditions and when there is a crisis among the capitalist class.

Gates also shattered some weird stories of the prosecution's stoolpigeons that there was something secret and sinister about the Communist policy of concentrating its organizational efforts toward workers in basic industries, such as steel, coal, auto, transport.

The defendant told the jury that workers in basic industries, constitute the "hardest working and most exploited." He explained how they were gathered together in the big plants where they learned to work together cooperatively. This education, under the conditions of harsh expoitation by Big Business, aided them to undertand and struggle for Social-

"The purpose of concentration is to win the majority of the workers to protect their own interests, improve their living standard, defend themselves against monopolies, against the danger of war and fascism," Gates said.

"Finally," he continued, "the majority of workers will come to the conclusion that the only solution to their problems is the establishment of socialism in the United States."

These are the barest details of the first two days of Gates testimony. The court was learning what a Communist is, what he thinks, what he does. If only America could sit in on this trial and listen it would realize the gigantic hoax being pulled on it by the Government. It would honor the defendants and oblige the Government to set them free to help the common man win peace and security.

NEW TOKIO STRIKES HIT ANTI-LABOR LEGISLATION

TOKYO (ALN).-A new wave of strikes during the first 10 days of

House to Probe Bias Does O'Dwyer At Battery Tunnel

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, D. C.-A House Labor Subcommit-himself from the race the Liberals went to Warren, Ohio, and betee has scheduled an investigation of job discrimination against Negroes engaged in the construction of the Brooklyn-

Battery tunnel, Rep. Adam Clayton Powell (D-NY) revealed today. He said his group, which has been holding hearings on FEPC legislation," would journey to New York next week for an on-the-spot

The subcommittee has received information that Negroes with 15 to 20 years experience are denied skilled jobs despite the fact that discrimination is prohibited by law. About 17 million dollars in Federal funds is involved in the job. According to charges before the subcommittee, Sandhogs Local 147, AFL, and two contracting firms are guilty of collusion in denying promotion to the Negro workers.

Rep. Powell said hearings on FEPC will conclude tomorrow after testimony by Henry Wallace. He expressed confidence that the subcommittee would report favorably on the bill before it, and said he believed there was a good chance the full Labor committee would okay it next week.

WILL PUSH BILL

attempt to bottle up the bill, Powell said, he would seek to bring it to the floor by invoking the 21-day rule.

Earlier, Powell spoke indignantly of plans of Senate Democratic testified in support of the bill. "No Does O'Dwyer really mean it? leaders to shelve all civil rights man is free from fear if the cord sage of the FEPC bill, together with the expression of public demand, could persuade the Senate to change its mind.

committee that Negroes are the under Jimcrow conditions. chief sufferers in the present rising

In some areas Negroes are hit been given apprentice training to especially hard, Thomas said enable them to become skilled Cashmore can be taken seriously, however, permitted to explain stitute large scale trade with the citing Omaha, where 30 percent of printers, he said, and the only skill-



POWELL

went into industrial jobs between have already been dropped.

which we are presently working, recent cutbacks have all but wiped

delinquency in minority groups. Rep. Emanuel Celler (D-NY),

it," he said.

The subcommittee heard a dele-

Alvin W. Hall, director of the the city's Negro workers are job- ed job held by a Negro in the bu- find "inside" opposition from erty of the small businessmen is the only way to save and in-

Mean It?

(Continued from Page 3) tantly, that may "change" his who wants to back the Republication mind later. licans, is at a peak.

New York.

power in the city and state, is jobless. He described how he in a powerful position to surge was arrested again in Newcastle, forward as the only party that can Pa., for distributing leaslets on a unite the independent, progressive, picket line during a strike. Gates anti-machine voters behind a said he was charged with "lit-Fusion candidate like the late tering" the streets and received Mayor LaGuardia. Its program 30 days on a charge later held and record is a constant nightmare to leaders of the opposition preme Court. parties. There is no doubt that if O'Dwyer is out of the race efforts by so-called Fusion groups and Democrats to get the ALP endorsement, will be accelerated.

Some Brooklyn district leaders are even ready to fight the "no ALP" edict by state chairman Paul Fitzpatrick and they have Manhattan. However, the Labor roofer's helper. 1942 and 1946, he said, but many Party's independent people's program stands as an unalterable "In two large corporations with challenge to politicians who would "trade" policy for votes.

FEPC as a deterrent to juvenile housing ticket in the fall elec- hands of the few." tions.

legislation. He said, House pas- to his job is so slender that racial words at face value, scores of means of production are owned or religious prejudice can sever hopefuls have thrown their hat by all for the good and use of all." into the ring. Cashmore is in the "I also joined the Communist lead for the nomination and his Party because I found it was the gation of top officials of the Treas- aspirations for either Mayoralty best fighter for the immediate strikes to obtain higher wages and ury Department and the Bureau or Gubernatorial post have been needs of the people," he con-protest government anti-labor leg-Julius A. Thomas of the Natio- of Engraving deny charges that an open secret for the past two tinued, "because of its program in islation has broken out in Japan. nal Urban League, told the sub- government money is produced years. Others being mentioned respect to the Negro people-a Metal miners throughout the counare Comptroller Lazarus Joseph, program of complete social, eco- try downed tools. Almost half a who really wants to be a Supreme nomic and political equality-be-million coal miners belonging to Court Judge; Charles Silver, tex-cause the Party fights for such a 780 union locals participated in course of unemployment. He said Bureau of Engraving, admitted tile magnate; Supreme Court Jus- state of affairs, and practices this successive pit-by-pit 24-h our information in the hands of his or- however, under questioning by tice Ferdinand C. Pecora, also within the Communist Party." ganization indicates that 15 to 20 Powell that of 3,000 Negroes emmentioned as the new Tammany percent of the jobless are Negroes ployed by the bureau only 14 held chief to succeed Hugo Rogers, questions aimed at developing the

Brong Boss Ed Flynn august

RADIO PROGRAMS

WMCA-570 Ke. WNBC-600 Ke. WOR-710 Ke. WJZ-770 Ke.

WINS-1000 Ec. WEVD-1130 Kc. WCBS-800 Kc. WNEW-1130 Ec. WLIB-1190 Ke.

WHN-1050 Ke, WBNY-1480 Ke, WOV-1290 Ke, WQXB-1500 Ke.

SATURDAY

11:30-WNBC-Smilin' Ed McConnell WJZ-Jay Stewart Pun Fair -Junior Miss AFTERNOON

12:00-WNBC-News. Charles P. McCarthy WOR-The Tremaymes WJZ-Girls' Corps WNYC-Midday Symphony WCB8-Theatre of Today

12:15-WNBC-Here's to Veterans 12:30-WOR—News; The Answer Man WJZ—What's My Name WCBS—Grand Central Station 1:00-WNBC-Parm and Home Hour WOR-Luncheon at Bardi's

WJZ-Home Gardener WCBS-Stars Over Hollywood WNYC-Music WQXR-News; Midday Symphony 1:30-WNBC-RFD America WJZ-Patt Barnes

WCBS-Give and Take WOR-Monica Lewis 2:00-WJZ-Western Music WOR—Official Detective WNBC—Living, 1949 WCBS—Handy Man

2:30-WNBC-Edward Tomlinson-Talk WOR-Affairs of Peter Salem WCBS-County Journal WJZ-Junior Junction WCBS Report from Overseas WQXR-Program Pavorites

2:45-WNBC-UN Is My Beat 3:00-WNBC-Pioneers of Music WOR-Sisco Kid WCBS_To Be Announced WQXR-News; Recent Records

3:15-WCBS-Adventures in Science 3:30-WOR-Hopalong Cassidy WCBS-Cross Section, U.S.A. WQXR-Music of Our Time 4:00-WNBC-Your Heafth Today

WOR-Proudly We Hail WQXR-News; Symphonic Matines 4:15-WNBC-Horse Racing 5:00-WNBC_Lassie WOR-Michael Shayne

WJZ-Tea and Crumpets WCBC-Treasury Bandstand WQXR-News; Record Review 5:30-WNBC Hal McIntyre WOR-International Airport
WQXR-Cockiail Time

6:00-WNBC-Kenneth Banghart WOR-Lyle Van WJZ-Honey Dreamers WQXR-News; Muste to Remember

6:30-NBC-NBC Symphony Orchestra WCBS-Red Barber WOXR-Dinner Concert 7:00-WOR-Let's Play Games -Spike Jones Show WJZ-Harry Wismer WNYC-Masterwork Hour WQXR-News; Music

7:30-WNBC-Vic Damone, Songs WOR-H. R. Knickerbecker WJZ-The Eye-Sketch WCBS-Vaughn Monroe Show WQXR-Opera Excerpts

7:48-WOR-Answer Man 8:00-WNBC-Hollywood Star Theatre WOR-Twenty Questions WQXR-News. Symphony Hall WJZ Pat Novak WCBS Gene Autry Show

8:30-WNBC-Truth or Consequences WOR-Take a Number WJZ—Famous Jury Trials WQXR—New York Times News WCBS—Philip Marlowe

9:00-WNBO-Hit Parade WOR-Life Begins at 80 WJZ—Quiet Please WCBS—Gangbusters WQXR—News; Music

9:30-WNBC Judy Canova Show WCBS-Basil Rathbone Show WOR-Guy Lombardo Show WJZ-On Tour with Art Mooney

9:45-WNYC-Top Talk WQXR-News; Record Album 10:00-WNBC-Dennis Day Show WOR-Theatre of the Air WJZ-Earl Godwin WCBS-Sing It Again WNYC-Municipal Concert Hall WQXR-News; On Wings of Song

SUNDAY

AFTERNOOR 22:05-WQXR-Symphonic Varieties 12:15-WJZ-Poreign Reporter WNEW-Vaudeville Isn't Dead WMGM-Bing Crosby Records

10:30-WNBC-Grand 'Ole Opry

RADIO HIGHLIGHTS SATURDAY, MAY 28

PM 6:15-CBS Views the Press. WCBS.

6:30-NBC Symphony Orchestra. WNBC.

9:00-Hit Parade. WNBC. SUNDAY, MAY 29

12:00-Invitation to Learning. WCBS.

PM 1:15-Elmo Roper. WCBS. 1:30-Author Meets the Critic. WNBC.

2:30-University Theatre. WNBC.

3:30-Juvenile Jury. WOR. 4:00-Wm. S. Gailmore. WLIB.

4:00-Quiz Kids. WNBC. 6:00-Oscar Brand Song Festival. WNYC. 6:30-Martin-Lewis show.

WNBC. 6:30-Adventures of Ozzie and

Harriet. WCBS. 7:00-Jack Benny show.

WCBS. 8:30-Henry Morgan show. WNBC.

9:00-NBC Theatre. WNBC. 9:00-Electric Theatre. WCBS. 9:30-Theatre Cuild. WJZ.

9:30-Our Miss Brooks. WCBS. 7:30-Grace and Paul Hartman. WNBT.

8:00-Jacques Fray Music Room. WIZ.

8:00-Lambs Gambol. WNBT. 8:30-Author Meets the Critic. WNBT.

12:30-WNBC—Eternal Light
WMCA—News Bulletins WOR-News-Melvin Elliott WJZ-Piano Playhouse WCBS-Peoples Platform WMGM-Hour of Champions WNEW-News; Recorded Music WQXR-Record Review

12:45-WOR-Rendezvous with Ross WQXR-Ocrhestral Melodies 1:00-WNBC-America United WJZ-American Almanac WOR-Phil Tonken

WCBS Charles Collingwood WMCA-J. Raymond Walsh. Forum WNYC-Music with David Randolph WMGM-Four Star Review WNEW-Hollywood Open House WQXR-New York Times News; Midday Symphony

1:05-WQXR-Midday Symphony WCBS-Elmo Roper 1:15-WJZ-Edward Weeks, Comment

WMGM-News; Jan Bart WLIB-Estelle Sternberger 1:30-WNBC-Author Meets The Critics WCBS—Syncopation Piece WJ2—National Vespera WOR—Michael O'Duffy WMCA-Perry Como WLIB-Melody Playhous

2:00-WOR-Smoke Rings WCBS—Longines Symphonette WNBC—Homecoming WJZ-Week Around the World WNYC-Brooklyn Museum Concert WQXR-News

2:05-WQXR-Viennese Melodies 2:15-WLIB-Harriet Johnson, Interviews

2:30-WNBC-NBC University Theatre WOR-Harry Hennessy WJZ-Mr President WCBS-You Are There WQXR-Americana

2:45-WOR-H. R. Knickerbocker 3:00-WOR-Music for a Half Hour WCBS—CBS Symphony Orchestra WLIB—News; Music 3:15-WJZ-Betty Glark, Songs

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4:55-WNYC-News 5:00-WNBC_To Be Announced WOR-The Shadow WJZ-U. S. Navy Hour WCBS-Wittnauer Choraliers WQXR-News; Record Reviews

5:15-WCBS-Art Mooney 5:30-WOR-Quick as a Flash WCBS-Broadway Is My Beat WJZ-To Be nAnounced WNBC-Harvest of Stars

EVENING

6:00-WNBC-Catholic Hour WOR-Roy Rogers Show WJZ-Drew Pearson WNYC-Oscar Brand, Fork Songs WCBS-Hour of Stars WMGM-Recorded Music WMCA-Popular Music WQXR-News

6:05-WQXR-String Quartet 6:15-WJZ-Don Gardner 6:30-WNBC-Dean Martin, Jerry Lewis

Show WOR-Nick Carter WCBS-Ozzie and Harriet WJZ-Greatest Story Ever Told WMCA-Ave Maria Hour 6:45-WNYC-Weather Report; News

7:00-WNBC-Richard Diamond WOR—The Falcon WCBS—Jack Benny WJZ—Curt Massey show WMCA-Showtime WNYC-Masterwork Hour WQXR-News

7:05-WQXR-Collectors Items 7:30-WNBC-Phil Harris-Alice Paye WOR-Mayor of the Town WJZ-Carnegie Hall WCBS—Amos N Andy WMCA—Play WMCM—Voice of Prophecy WNEW-News; Spirituals

-WNBC-Fred Allen Show WMCA—Echoes of Big Time
WOR—Alexander's Mediation Bos
WJZ—Stop the Music
WCBS—Sam Spade
WMGM—Cavalry Baptist Church WNEW-Piano Rhapsody WQXR-News

8:05-WQXR-Our Musical Heritage 8:30-WNBC-Henry Morgan Show WMCA-American Panorama WOR-Melvin Elliott WCBS-Lum 'N' Abner WNEW-News; Plano Rhapsody 9:00-WNBC-NBC Theatre.

WMCA-News; Composers Notebe WOR-Under Arrest WJZ-Walter Winchell WCBS-Electric Theatre WEVD-Drama: Errand of Mercy 9:05-WQXR-Sunday Evening Concert

9:15-WJZ-Louella Parsons Show WEVD-Michael Young 9 30-WNBC-Famifiar Music Album WOR-Jimmy Fidler WJZ-Theatre Guild WCBS-Our Miss Brooks WNEW-News; Music You Want WEVD-Quis -1 Challenge Y WMCA-Dinah Shere WOR-Secret Missions

WEVD—Forum
WQXR—News
10:05-WQXR—On Wings of Song 10:30-WNBC-Horace Heldt show WOR-Heartbeat in the News WJZ-Jimmy Fidler WCBS-It Pays to be Ignorant WMCA-Algernon Black WEVD-Melody Moments

WQXR-Pop Concert

WCBS-Life With Luigi

"Palace Scandal," new German color film with music, will have its American premiere at the Stan-

lev Theatre on Saturday, June 4. A comedy-operetta of Europe in the 19th century, "Palace Scandal" is based on the stage play by Paul Verhoeven and Toni Impekoven and was written and directed by Paul Verhoeven, with music by Wolfgang Zeller. It stars Elfie Meyerhofer, Erich Ponto and Hans Nielsen.

Made in Agfa color and spoken in German, "Palace Scandal" is released here, with English titles; by Artkino Pictures.

Donald Thompson, star of the documentary film, "The Quiet One," has one of the leading roles in "They Shall Not Die," the John Wexley play about the notorious Scottsboro case, which will open the summer season for People's Drama, Inc.

The theatrical group, which was formerly known as New Drama, and whose theater is at 405 West 41 St., will open with the Wexley work on June 4, with all proceeds going to The Committee to Free the Trenton Six:

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THE TATTLER

Curtain which did it no good.

Lack of a quorum at the Screen And, in face of attacks, the counimpossible for the membership to a year, it's a good buy. act on the board's proposed resolution against Fox for its ban on 20th Century-Fox quarterly fibership for mail approval.

ducers; likewise, action on a res- officials tied to Fox setup? olution demanding a standby writer when writing is done on the set by a non-Guild writer after production has started.

ACTION FROM THE ASP

New Dangers Facing the Jewish People will be the subject of a symposium discussion at Embassy auditorium June 29, led by three of the Hollywood Ten-John Howard Lawson, Samuel Ornitz and Herbert Biberman. The discussion, planned by Arts, Sciences and Professions council as a community service, will be sponsored and supported by many Jewish organizations. It should have wide and popular response.

ASP is speeding up activities these days as the fight groups more intense. Its "Roll Call for Peace" will have wide community support in the drive to get millions of signatures in protest against the present war-oriented U. S. foreign policy.

Another exciting event is the ASP division's mass meeting in proest at Fox shelving of Maltz' novel set for El Patio Theater May 25. Arthur Laurents, author of Home of the Brave has dramatized The Return of Simon McKeever for the occasion, with Will Geer in the lead and a cast of important actors, with a special musical score written by Sol Kaplan, Robert W. Kenny, Carey McWilliams, Karen Morley and Maltz will speak.

Weekly forums on problems in the fields of films and literature

HOLLYWOOD-The Red Men- are being held Friday nights; the ace, supported by a pressure cam- music division is planning a serice paign inaugurated by William R. of Meet the Composer discussions. Hearst, will open in Los Angeles Fine Arts division is setting up on June 9 in both the Hollywood the first LA Beaux Arts ball at the and Downtown Paramount thea- Chase hotel in Santa Monica for ters. Hearst also ordered his news- June 11; the medical division is paper chain to support The Iren playing a leading role in fighting the Tenny bills directed against the professions.

Writers Guild meeting made it cil's membership is growing. At \$2

Albert Maltz' The Journey of Si-nancial statement shows that film mon McKeever. However, the rentals are up \$3,100,000 over board will issue a statement on its last year's first quarter, that conown, will circulate it to the mem-solidated earnings before taxes are up \$400,444, that net earnings Lack of a quorum also made after taxes are up \$100,000, and impossible a vote to support the that Robert E. Hannegan, former board's recommendation for full Postmaster General, has been addand open guild participation in ed to Fox board. Remember Tattcontract negotiations with pro- ler's story on former government

> Lopert Films, also owners of the Washington, D. C. chain which is challenging Negro segregation policy of Capital's theaters, will release the Hungarian film of homeless children, Somewhere In Europe, this fall. . . .

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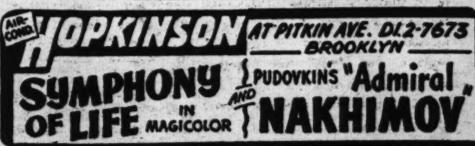
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Urge Wires to Governors to Stop NATIONAL BOARD ACTS TO SPLI Framed Negro's Extradition

By John Hudson Jones

James Wilson, 29, is in danger of being sent back to a South death. His legs still bear inflamed welts and long, hideous ash marks are on his back-livid testimony to the seven and a half years of a life sentence he served in chains under sadistic guards, for slaying a man who molested his wife.

Wilson was arrested in the months after he escaped, hid in the woods, sawed his leg irons off and made his way by night to relatives in the Bronx. He is the father of three children.

Already the Civil Rights Congress has petitioned Acting Covernor Joe R. Hanley to hold an open hearing before considering the extradition requests from the Negro-hating authorities in the Dixiecrat state of Gov. J. Strom Thurmond.

William L. Patterson, CRC national executive secretary, this week wrote Hanley, "James Wil- Speedup Paves Way son goes to his death if he is sent back to the state of South Carolina. . . . He is not a DP from Europe, not a man fleeing from fleeing from the inhuman racist speedup. another."

day, after an impassioned plea on cent increase over net profits the Wilson's behalf by CRC attorney year before. Abraham Unger, Judge Henri But at Hotpoint the ware-Schwob declared: "If I was the houses are now full, and the com-Covernor I would not sign the pany has just completed a 35 perpapers to send him back." As- cent layoff, and admits that it sistant District Attorney Walter H. doesn't yet know where layoffs Gladwin agreed, but Wilson was will stop.

held to permit Acting Governor Hanley to decide.

"I have received a good many Carolina chain gang and certain Schwob declared, however. And that is the key to Wilson's free-

> Already Bishop W. C. Willie and the Rev. Mother Lena M. Stokes have raised their voices in

protest to sending Wilson back.
"I know it to be a matter of fact," Bishop Willie wrote, "that Bronx, N. Y., May 7, just two chain gang after having been extradited is almost certainly being doomed to death."

Asking for Wilson's "asylum" in New York Rev. Stokes wrote statement said: his return "could only result in his sudden death."

But perhaps Mrs. Mary Hardy made the best plea for action by New Yorkers.

"I know what will happen to my brother if they send him back. And I'm asking everybody in New York to write the Governor not to sign the papers."

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General Electric, the parent terror of the Dixiecrats, fleeing concern, made a net profit last from one section of our country to year of \$124,000,000 or 39 cents on every dollar of its net worth. In the Bronx Felony Court Fri- Last year profits were a 30 per-

(Continued from Page 6) Leather board to the suggestion against the Textile Workers Union? of the Marshall Plan that unions replace their representatives to the CIO's board with telegrams and letters," Judge men who would vote with Murray.

"With a great sense of pride in the democratic traditions of our union," declared the IFLU's board, unanimously, "we regret and scorn any order or insinuation that the International Fur and Leather Workers Union shall be represented in the CIO's executive board or at CIO meetings by any persons other than the representatives we have democratically and unanimously elected."

President Grant W. Oakes, in a

"In my opinion, there will always be a farm equipment union."

A wire to Murray by Rieta Kochert, secretary, and John T. Gojack, president, of the Indiana-Michigan district of the United Electrical Workers requested that he "clarify" the proposals to deprive unions of autonomy to determine their own policies. They added that the 30 UE locals in the district "heartily endorse" the resolution of the CIO favoring wage raises.

"We also note that the CIO textile workers union has advised its member locals not to seek wage increases in contracts opening this year," noted the wire. "This is clear refusal to support CIO policy

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line of 100 men, women and chil-called for defeat of the Mundt-

munist leaders. The demonstratook leaflets. Hundreds thronged tion, sponsored by the Civil Rights the opposite side of the street Congress, included Negro and quietly watching the demonstra-

Japanese Communists Expose Imperialist Squeeze on Nation

By Hugh Deane

TOKYO (Telepress).-A sharpening class struggle characterizes Japan today as the Yoshida Cabinet acts more and more obviously as the agent both of domestic and international monopolies, Kyuichi Tokuda, general secretary of the militarism. Communist Party, declared here lished in Akahata, "Red Flag."

In his analysis, entitled "The Struggle for Democracy in Japan," Tokuda makes the following major points:

in the hands of the bureaucratic fascist-like methods. state during and after the war, to the big banks, thereby enabling them to form direct ties with forcontrols and allowed the big banks small landlords are being comto dominate whole industries pelled to fight against the handful directly.

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THE GOVERNMENT is placing the burden of loss from trade

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on the backs of the people, while giving subsidies to monopolies to assure them of huge profits.

The government is reviving the landlord system, raising rents of tenant farmers and killing the land reform, thereby creating the socio-economic foundation for

The government is lowering the national level of education, CLEANED in a comprehensive article pub-science, industrial technology and arts to that of colonial countries.

It is strengthening organizations designed to suppress popular opposition to its policies. It is trying to isolate the Communist Party, The government has transferred the vanguard of the struggle for financial control, which had been democracy, and to suppress it by

AS A RESULT of the intensifyeign monopolies. It has also ing class struggle, Tokuda wrote, ceased governmental economic Even national capitalists and of monopolies and their agents.

As far as foreign trade is con- After a long period of supcerned, Japan has no sovereignty. pression, the Communist Party of Prices of imported goods are Japan has accumulated revolutionthree times as high as official ary energy for leadership of the prices on the average, while those postwar struggle for democracy. of export products are about one- It has achieved a successful ex-

"Throughout Asia movements for the liberation of colonial and CARPET CLEANING semi-colonial peoples are growing under the leadership of Marxism-Leninism-Stalinism and can never be permanently suppressed. The struggle for democracy in Japan moves forward with the tide of the world situation."

Navajo Miners Win Family-Life Struggle

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah .-Fewer Navajo workers will be available for off-reservation agricultural employment for Utah this year than last, reports the Utah Department of Employment Secur-

At Bingham center of copper production Navajo miners greeted the decision classifying Bingham as a reservation so that families can for the first time live with the

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Beating of Negro Spurs Rockaway Protest Move

The wanton beating of a defenseless Negro in Rocka-the street and refusing to let three away Beach has roused the community to form the Rocka-or more congregate on the street. way Civil Rights Committee to stop the mounting police brutality. The committee was set up at a meeting Tuesday night endangers the freedom, civil rights

attended by 50 representatives Party and Young Progressives of

Special attention was given to the case of James O'Neal, who on May 7, standing outside his house of the State of New York. He is a at 217 Beach 84th St., at midnight, was accosted by two policemen. He was placed under arrest and taken to the 100th Precinct where upon Jews, Catholics, Italianas a policy player.

"This is an outragous frame-up," charged a leaflet issued by the

from the Community Civic League, O'Neal is a Negro they can do and colored," they pointed out. King Arthur Lodge, Macedonia anything they please. Mr. O'Neal the King Arthur Lodge, 24, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons reputable and respectable leader respected by his people."

The leaflet warned that attacks he was brutally beaten and booked Americans and trade unionists would follow unless the attacks were protested.

The police think that because without cause, stopping people on 10.

"This brutality of law and order and security of all people white

The meeting voted to affiliate Church, St. Baptist Church, Amer- is a law-abiding citizen of Rock- with the Civil Rights Congress, to ican Labor Party, Communist away Beach, innocent of any wrong send a delegation to the 100th doings. He is financial secretary of Precinct to protest the wave of brutality and to wire Mayor O'Dwyer and Police Commissioner O'Brien.

Protest Milk Hike

HARRISBURG .- Protests against a one-cent milk price increase now scheduled for July 1 will be held by the State Milk Control Commission in Philadel-Ministers attending the Tuesday phia, June 2; Allentown, June 1; James O'Neil Defense Committee, night meeting reported that police Lancaster, June 3; Reading, June formed shortly after the attack, were barging into Negro homes 8; York, June 9; Harrisburg, June

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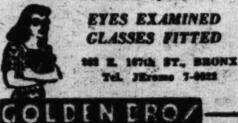
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YANKS START

They were sorry for poor old Casey Stengel when he started the American League season with a team rated on the downhill path even IF the peerless Joe DiMaggio were in there. Without the unfortunate Frisco slugger it looked like the end and many were

But here it is nearly June with the Yanks atop the league, and the league, including the favored Red Sox and Indians, are beginning to take the Yanks very very seriously! Of course, it's not Stengel's doing. There are no baseball miracle managers (though nobody can find fault with Casey to date). The Yankee success has a very material basis, so material that the team field gap, is showing more and They just may not do it! may pick up momentum on it and fool a lot of people, including

bellwethered by big Vic Raschi, one little hitch, failure against the Bosox, and may become the league's top man. Nobody has been getting the kind of hurling field. Sanford, the "\$100,000 bust" for a while, has shown signs of swinging into line and if he does, lock out.

A combination of surprising rookies and surprising holdovers is

the stories written about the crum- PCL batting leader who has more of the stuff that labelled him

The improved holdovers: Larry years ago. bum fielding rap with increasing to help fill the DiMaggio gap. Cliff Mapes, filling the big center- to collapse.

weighed in with some big hits. | a batting terror at Kansas City two

Berra, catcher who has been Phil Rizzuto is still Phil Rizzuto helped immeasurably by the tutor- and Tommy Henrich is still Toming of Bill Dickey, and Bobby my Henrich, only a little more so! Brown, who is living down the Old Reliable has really come up

efficiency around third now that It's early in the year, but Stenhe knows he's settled down. He gel will remain happy just as long always could hit and still does. as everybody waits for the Yanks

Messrs. Veeck and Yawkey. It's composed of what is today the best pitching staff in the game,

a real ace who has overcome his Phils' "Puddin' Head," Crack Rookie, Says He Owes Lots to Detroit's Kell

George Kell of Detroit doesn't know it, but if Willie featured by Vic, the suddenly ma- (Puddin' Head) Jones of the Phillies develops into a toptured Byrnes, Lopat and Porter-flight third baseman it'll be his fault. "Every time I had a chance," says the youthful Phila-

delphia third sacker, "I watched me plenty just the same."

Kell. Hes my idea of a great third Jones, A 23-year-old rookie from Laurel Hill, N. C., is described by "I watched him real close in the Phillie manager Eddie Sawyer as doing the rest of it. The first named exhibition games this spring. He "a fellow who loves to play ball." are Dick Kryhoski, making the showed me how to get in front of "Willie's the kind of guy who can grade at first base, Dick Coleman, the ball and how to throw from not get enough baseball," Sawyer a Newark grad who filled in for Stirnweiss, hit much harder than different positions. He didn't added. "He's got a good pair of George and gradually learned the know I was watching him and I hands, a strong arm and a desire new position, and Gene Woodling, never spoke to him but he helped to improve. "In a few years, it's my opinion that he'll be one of the best infielders in the game."

Jones put in most of the 1948 season with Toronto of the International League where he batted .275.

He played in 17 games with the Phillies during the tail-end of the 48 campaign and before the start of the 1949 spring training season, Sawyer announced, "the only player sure of a job with the Phillies is Jones."

How did Jones feel about Saw yer's vote of confidence?

"It didn't bother me too much," he declared. "I just decided ! would have to work that much harder."

And work harder he did. During the first week of the campaign, Puddin' Head came to bat four times in one contest and connected for four straight doubles to tie a major league record.

"Funny thing about those doubles," mused Jones, "I never knew I was tieing any record or anything like that. I was only swingin' to get on base. They told me about the record after the game.'

Jones is the kind of ball player who plods along, playing the game instinctively without burdening himself too much with the fine points of strategy. He sums up his feelings in the matter when he

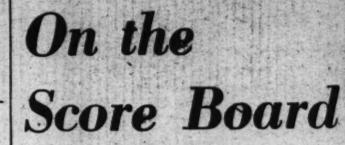
"I like playing third base be cause you don't have to think too much. The ball is on you in a second and you either do or you don't."

Most of the time, however, he

About the nickname Puddin

Head, Jones says:

"Got that name from Marl Twain's book. Remember Puddin Head, the easy-goin feller who didn't get in anybody's way? Well," Willie grinned, "that's



By Lester Rodney



Strikeout Kings Wanted

WHERE OH WHERE are the strikeout kings of yesteryear? A look at the current pitching performances reveals a slacking off in this department. Since Bob Feller set his 348 mark in 1946 and then changed his style, nobody else has come along with a real strikeout record. Last year, despite his shakiness for a long period, Bob still led the AL with 164, a far cry from his record. Brecheen of the Cards led the National with 149, but isn't hitting a fast strikeout pace this year.

Hal Newhouser has been averaging about five per game, which will probably win him the AL title but not come close to any marks. Brooklyn's Ralph Branca is hitting about the same pace. Actually, both are apt to stress strikeouts less rather than more in time to come. There is no little suspicion about Feller's concentration on whiffing in 1946 contributed to the losing of some of his speed and elasticity. It will be recalled that Bob himself announced after that tremendous feat that he would now concentrate on control and winning games instead, so he may have suspected that it did him no good to try blowing 'em all down.

Easter and the "Free Press"

LUKE EASTER, the tremendous rookie slugger playing for Cleveland's San Diego farm in the Pacific Coast League, is hot about the way certain Coast writers are misquoting him and trying to present him in the usual Negro stereotype. They take contemptuous liberties with him they never dare with white players. So Easter discovered a scurrilous piece in the sheet called Pacific Coast League Baseball Magazine filled with Stepin Fetchit dialect. The whole thing was sheer fabrication, the writer never having interviewed Easter at all. Freedom of the press, you know. Blazing mad, Easter set about discovering who did the piece, so he could tell him off properly.

At San Francisco, he told a reporter of the "Peoples World," progressive West Coast daily, "Most of the reporters are honest and report what they hear and see. But there have been some in every city who put words in my mouth that I have never said. These reporters try to pretend that I don't know how to speak, that I am

a man who has had no schooling.

"Each day I read in the papers some words I have never spoken, written in an ignorant accent. They're just nonsense words they make up and then pretend that I said them. If they can't report honestly I wish they'd leave me alone. Why don't they judge me on the number of hits, runs batted in and home runs - in other words, why can't they treat me as a baseball player?"

Easter went on with emphasis, "I am one of my people. I respect my people. I want to behave in such a way that they'll never be ashamed of me. But what are they going to think when the reporters write that I've got a swelled head? What respect will people have for me when reporters tell them that I'm a showboat or a blowhard? I'm not that way and anybody who knows me could have told the newspapers the truth."

There's a Reason

THEY CAN'T TREAT you as just a baseball player, Luke Easter, because they are prostitutes of the typewriter and their big money newspaper bosses are an important part of the never ceasing propaganda machine which pumps its big lie poison of white supremacy into its readers every day of the week in one form or another. They use not only the newspapers but the movies, radio, television, comic books and even the schoolbooks. Monopoly capitalism, which owns and runs for the profit of a few our whole great and beautiful and productive country, has to keep the people divided, has to conduct a special oppression of the fifteen million Negro Americans above all, and believe me, as long as they get away with it we all suffer from the insanity of depressions in the midst of plenty and war hysteria in the midst of the overwhelming desire for peace.

If this is "politics" in a sports column, it's the only way such a sports question can be honestly be answered. Speaking of the socalled "free press," the prominent Negro spokesman, Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, speaking at a peace rally at Madison Square Garden recently, said, "I'm beginning to ask myself why I should believe the same newspapers which have lied about my people for three hundred years, when they write about the Soviet Union, the countries of Eastern Europe and the 'iron curtain'."

Louis Found Out

JOE LOUIS became familiar with some of these newspaper techniques. An average, normal guy, he was forced to read about himself as a "sullen tiger" and things like that. It's interesting to recall how some of the more vicious columnists built him up as a "superman" after he became champ, a flawless savage fighting machine without weaknesses. What they were doing, of course, was trying to de-humanize Louis, the only resort left to white supremacists when facing someone of Joe's caliber.

Louis himself knew this was nonsense, that there were no supermen in or out of the prize rings, just human beings. He always felt, and expressed, respect for the possibilities of his opponents.

And lo and behold, when he failed to knock out his opponent in a hurry, just continued to be a great fighting champion by winning again, the "very writers" who had created the superman myth now turned on him sneering that he was "overrated, dull witted," etc.

And even after Louis had retired and gone into the promotional field, when you'd think it was all over, he found the same thing all over again in a "press interview" that was turned into a sneering inquisition.

These white superiority guys can't treat Luke Easter as just another ballplayer, or Joe Louis on his merits as a fighter. They are always keenly sensitive to the Negro question in this jimcrow society of ours, something that hasn't always been true of white progressives, unfortunately, in the recent past.

NEW PHYSIQUE PHENOM

OUT OF NO-WHERE in the national body building field came Melvin Wells, a 30-yearold Ford worker from Buffalo, to place second in the AAU championship at Cleveland last week in the Mr. America competition. He won top honors for arm and development and most muscle divisions. 'A veteran of 30 months in the Army and 14 months overseas, Wells developed an interest in weight lifting and physique and applied himself in his spare time. A member of Local 425, UAW, Wells won the New York State contest, and in the magazine Your Physique it is stated with some little specialization he should become the best built of all time. In unofficial weightlifting, he has already come close to the world record. Wells was an all-round high school star, and won the Buffalo



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Anti-Fascist Charges Wife Is Held As Hostage Here

Gerhart Eisler was declared a free man Friday by the British Chief Magistrate, who threw out attempts to extradite him, thus dealing a smashing blow to the frameup methods used by the U.S. Department of Justice

against political victims. The German Communist leader's victory over a 20-month campaign of persecution threw State and Justice Department officials into a snarling rage. Other administration spokesmen accused the British of "ingratitude" for the Marshall Plan. Red-faced Attorney General Tom Clark declaimed that every effort would be made to "secure the return of Eisler," but a State Department spokesman admitted sadly that there is "no higher tribunal to which we can take the case."

Later the State Department advised the Justice Department to drop all efforts to extradite Eisler from Britain, but added that if Eisler came within U.S. reach again, in western Germany or some other Marshall Plan country, it would move to seize him again.

READY FOR NEW KIDNAPING

At a hastily-organized press conference, Eisler warned that the U.S. government would not drop its "dirty tricks" to catch him and bring him back for revenge and persecution.

"I expect the American authorities will even attempt piracy on the high seas to get me," Eisler said. "But I am taking special measures."

He added that he expects to leave for Germany soon, via Poland.

Eisler said at his press conference that he will spend the weekend in the country.

He said he had only \$48 and had to rely on friends to finance him. His lawyer and others who aided his defense gave their services free and that a few other trial expenses would be paid, he said, by the "Eisler Release Committee," which has received more than \$800 in unsolicited contributions. He is to speak at a mass meeting Tuesday night.

Eisler emphasized that he has no illfeeling toward Americans generally, only toward American authorities.



GERHART EISLER

"My case in the U.S. was one of political persecution," he said. "I became a Communist in the trenches of the First World War. But I never was an American Communist, a member of the American Communist Party nor an American, and I do not want to be an American."

He expressed worry over his wife Hilde, who is held at Ellis Island, and said she was a hostage for him.

NO CRIMINAL, SAYS COURT

Chief Magistrate Sir Lawrence Dunne, presiding over London's Bow St. Court, ruled that the offense for which he had

(Continued on page 10)

Senate Gives Free Hand to World Spyil

WASHINGTON. - For the first time in U. S. history. the Senate on Friday passed a top-secret measure giving the till Wednesday, the CRC revealed. U. S. Central Intelligence Agency virtually unlimited power

for spying and diversionist activities. The bill was passed by voice sion of up to 100 aliens a year placed on debate, on the grounds pose of the provision, sponsors any extraditable charge against that not even the lawmakers admitted, was to provide a "haven" him. should be acquainted with all de-tails. for agents who get in trouble for working against the interests of the

changes in wording so that the bill VOICE FEARS must now go back for concurrence to the House where it had previ-

present unofficial practice of keep- that the bill might have on deming secret, even from the Comp- ocratic processes. troller General, the names of its Sen. Edwin C. Johnson (Dforeign agents and how it uses its Colo.) stated his concern that Confunds.

It also provides for the admis-

NLRB Voids **UMW Pact**

WASHINGTON .- The National Labor Relations Board Friday ordered the contract between the United Mine Workers and United States Steel invalidated because of its provision that requires the corporation's miners to be members of the union. The board ordered John L. Lewis to stop giving effect
World Leadership

The decision, presumably, ap- SAN SALVADOR (ALN).-The

The Senate made some minor countries in which they operate.

Despite the warning against detailed discussion in the Senate, ously been approved.

The act legalizes the Agency's fears were voiced over the effect

> gress might be opening the door to the creation of a military Gestapo" in the United States. He withdrew his objection, however, when Sen. Millard F. Tydings (D-Md.), chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said the Agency would operate only in foreign countries.

Sen. William Langer (R-N.D.), complaining that it was the first time in history that Congress had been refused details of legislation, proposed to strike out the alien entry section. He said that "too many deposed royal families already have chased over here." But he called off a threatened floor fight after Tydings agreed to changes in wording.

plies also to the United Steelwork- government of Salvador, always ers of America, whose contract quick to protect foreign monopolies ed the news on Friday of the freewith the companies provides for in the country, has ordered a re-dom of Gerhart Eisler as "a vicmaintenance of union membership, turn to work by all strikers on the tory for democracy and a blow to also outlawed under the Taft- International Railways of Central the repressive, fascist - minded Hartley law unless so authorized in America (U.S. owned) and the Sal-forces in America" and announced a union shop election. Neither of vador Railway Co. (British owned). that it was reimbursing \$23,500 to the unions signed Taft-Hartley affi- The strike continues despite the the bail fund of the New York davits to qualify for such elections government action to outlaw it.

CRC Charges Justice Dep't Holds Mrs. Eisler as 'Political Hostage'

Delay of a hearing by the Justice Department on Mrs. Hilde Eisler's request to leave the United States makes her Attorney General Tom Clark's "first political hostage," the New York Civil Rights Congress charged on Friday. The CRC urged organizations

and individuals to wire Clark in Washington demanding her re- day morning withdrew its writ departure was prevented by the

U.S. Immigration and Naturaliza- the Justice Department to release band in 1947." tion Service vetoed the decision of Mrs. Eisler to make arrangements The CRC pointed out that the last Friday on Mrs. Eisler's request, and ordered it postponed This reversal came as Mrs. Eisler's husband, Gerhart Eisler, was freed by a British court, because the vote after a damper had been without immigration quotas. Pur- U. S. Government could not prove

Mrs. Eisler has been in Ellis Island since May 13 when she was picked up by Immigration authorities while on her way to keep an appointment with them.

The American Committee for protection of Foreign Born Fri-



HILDE EISLER

The Civil Rights Congress hail-CRC which put up the money.

A bail fund of 120,000 was declared forfeited by the government when Eisler escaped the United States. It is expected that the other \$3,500 will also be held.

William L. Patterson, executive secretary of CRC, said "No one who advanced money to the bail fund has suffered any loss. The CRC is now raising the money from contributors all over the country, who are responding to its appeal for funds. News of Eisler's release will spur the campaign. Anti-fascists everywhere will help cap the victory in this case and make the loss good.

Eisler was the first victim of the witchhunt campaign said Patterson, which has now reached its culmination in the heresy trials

of the Communist leaders.
"His release," said Patterson, "is the culmination of four years of protest and activity by democratically-minded people of the United States supported in their efforts by people all over the world. We are certain that the British court. in spite of the fact that it seemingy released Eisler on a technicality, did so, fully cognizant of the fact that the whole world was watching to see if Great Britain would meekly submit to the crack of the U. S. State Department's whip."

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for habeas corpus, pending in the Justice Department as a result of The Washington office of the U.S. District Court, and requested action initiated against her hus-

its local bureau to hold a hearing for her immediate voluntary de-delay in hearing the case "can only parture to join her husband in he regarded as a continuation of the hounding of Gerhart Eisler."

"Her detention has been un-warranted and in violation of remains on the Ellis Island," said democratic rights," said the Amer- the CRC "she is held as a hostage, ican Committee for Protection of made to suffer, while no charge is Foreign Born. "Mrs Eisler never brought against her. She has beviolated our laws. She did overstay come Tom Clark's first political her visitor's permit on the basis of hostage, the victim of a persecuwhich she entered the United tion which has already aroused States in 1941, but her stay here the people of Britain, Europe and was at all times involuntary. Her much of the world."

Free Hilde Eisler!

AN EDITORIAL

Europe.:

CERHART EISLER has won his long, heart-breaking fight to return home. We congratulate him, and we are sure millions of Americans feel as we do. Here was a man of rare guts, who fought all the way against frameup and persecution, as he had fought previously against Hitlerism. And he has won out, at last.

The British court, spurred by the splendid support for Eisler in Britain, saw the point that has always been concealed by the Department of Injustice in this country - that Eisler was a political refugee. Thus, the stand of the Civil Rights Congress which defended Eisler on this ground has been upheld. This organization deserves the fullest support of all Americans in its continuing fight against frameups and persecutions which face us on all

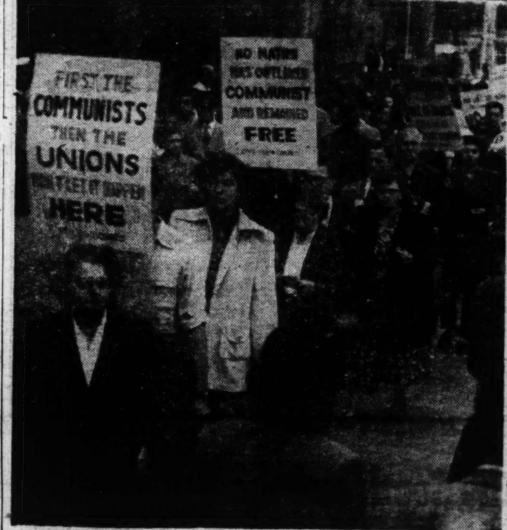
But the Eisler fight is not finished because his wife, Hilde, is still on Ellis Island - kept there, though she is a Polish citizen, is faced with no charges whatsoever, and wants only the right to join her husband immediately.

There is a terrible danger that the same frameup crowd in Washington which has been slapped in the face by the British court will take a petty revenge on Eisler's wife. She is being held as a hostage - nothing less. And this insolence must end immediately.

We urge telegrams to Attorney General Tom Clark, demanding Mrs. Eisler be given immediate liberty and the right of voluntary departure. We urge all organizations to speak up.

And we put the matter squarely to President Truman: end this unholy and petty harassment of an innocent woman and let her leave immediately to share in her husband's historic vindication.

Philly Pickets to Free '12'



PHILADELPHIA. - A picket and a number of veterans, also ine of 100 men, women and chil-called for defeat of the Mundt-The management committee of dren at the Federal Building last Ferguson police-state bill. the Labor Press Bazaar issued a Saturday noon called for ending Thousands of passers-by in the statement expressing its "appreciation to the hundreds of volunteer munist leaders. The demonstration, sponsored by the Civil Rights constrained and political success."

Saturday noon called for ending the frame-up trial of the 12 Combusy 9th and Market Sts. area took leaflets. Hundreds through ion, sponsored by the Civil Rights constrained and congress, included Negro and quietly watching the demonstration of the street quietly watching the demonstration of the longer of t

1949 in the lead, continue their all-out fight with the movie companies for genuine contracts with adequate raises and union security, ASK INGRAM PETITIONS BE TURNED IN

United Office and Professional Workers, CIO, with Miss Picket of

Parading up Broadway in New York City, members of the

MISS PICKET OF 1949

The National Committee to Free the Ingram Family yesterday urged all persons circulating petitions to turn them in with the maximum number of signatures not later than Tuesday at its office, Hotel Theresa, 125 St. and Seventh Ave. Noting this is an extension of the deadline, the Committee announced that it was doing this to facilitate many people who because of the holiday would be held up from completing their petition drive.

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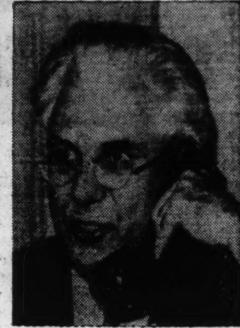
were trying to break the Ford the workers.

"An outright lie!' This was the floor of the Senate you yesterday the Communist Party denounced answer yesterday of Eugene Den- in effect charged the Communist these acts of fascist-like violence nis, general secretary of the Com- Party with complicity in the in- against labor and characterized munist Party, to slanderous state- famous terrorist attempt on Victor them as part of reaction's general ments by Sens. Arthur Vanden- Reuther's life. We declare that attempt to terrorize the whole berg and Horner Ferguson, Michi- this statement is an outright lie. trade union movement. gan Republicans, accusing the We demand either a public re-Communist Party of complicity in traction or a waiver of your Con-Dennis charged the Senators may challenge this base libel.

strike by sowing dissension among individual terror and anti - labor violence is a cardinal principle of "We demand either a public rethe Communist Party and such traction or a waiver of your Con- acts are wholly foreign to Comgressional immunity so that we munist practice. In this instance, may challenge this base libel," said as in the case of a similar criminal Dennis in a wire to both Senators. attack on Walter Reuther last year, "This morning's New York Her- both the national committee and ald-Tribune reports that on the the Michigan State Committee of

"We have repeatedly called for the immediate apprehension and punishment of those responsible. It is well known that you, like Sen. "Condemnation of all acts of Ferguson, who is also reported as making similar remarks, are a spokesman for the auto monopolies. This fact cannot but make suspect your unprecedented pretense of concern for the safety of labor officials. You have remained silent in the face of many other outrageous examples of violence

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FERGUSON

Jurist Lashes Trial of '12'

Indiana Judge Calls It 'Tragic Farce'-Accuses Tom Clark

(The Indiana-Calumet edition of The Worker has received the following statement from Norval C. Harris, Judge of the 14th Judicial Circuit Court at Sullivan, Indiana, in the heart of the Indiana coalfields.-Editor).

SULLIVAN, Ind.-Judge Norval K. Harris, of the Sullivan Circuit Court, a veteran of World War I and a past commander of the Sullivan American Legion post, denounced the indictment and trial of 12 national leaders of the Communist Party as "un-American and a stench in the nostrils of every redblooded, liberty-loving American."

"It is certain that our grandchildren will wonder what kind of spineless Americans we were," said Judge Harris, "that we would sit idly by and permit fellow citizens to be indicted and tried because of their political beliefs.

"The present trial in New York before Judge Medina is a tragic farce. It is an exact counter-part to one of the damnable Alien and Sedition trials held during the Administration of John Adams. In those days any American who was friendly toward revolutionary France was denounced as a Jacobin and a Democrat, just as today any patriotic American who believes in peace and friendly relations with Russia, our wartime ally, is branded a subversive Communist.

"Judge Frank Murphy of the U. S. Supreme Court in an able and logical opinion in the Schneiderman case held that the Communist Party does not seek to overthrow our government by force and violence.

"As a student of history and sociology, I have read all the available books concerning the life and principles of Thomas Jefferson and Abraham Lincoln. They were champions of the cause of the common people, but if they were alive today, they would be denounced as radicals and fellow-travelers and would be on the list of potential traitors as compiled by J. Edgar Hoover's FBI, by Dies, Rankin, Mundt, Thomas et al, and by Attorney General Clark.

"Why is Clark not pushing the trial of Congressman Thomas (Feeney) who was indicted for felonious kickbacks from his employees? Why is Clark not seeking indictments against those Wall Street cartelists who did business with the Nazis?

"If Foster, Dennis, Green, et al, can be convicted because they have devoted their lives to the cause of peace and to the struggl for economic justice, then we have failed as a Democracy and have surrendered to the damnable Fascist tyranny of Mussolini and Hitler."

Gates on Stand, Tells How CP Fought War, Crisis and Jimcrow

By Joseph North

Despite Prosecutor John F. X. McGohey's week-long drumfire of objections, John Gates, editor of The Worker, succeeded in giving the courtroom many basic ideas of his party's position and record on peace, economic crisis, unemployment and monopoly. The

35-year-old editor-a volunteer in two wars on mankind's behalfparatrooper in World War II and a lieutenant colonel in the International Brigades-took the stand one week ago in the new phase of the trial.

His forthright, direct testimony bore directly on the major issues worrying millions in America today. The man looking for a job, the mother worrying whether her sons are going into uniform again, the Negro who sees racism on the march once more, can find solutions to their problems in Gates'

OBJECTION!

The prosecution battery wore worried frowns as the Communist leader continued his testimony. U.S. Attorney McGohey popped up and down every few minutes like a jack-in-the-box shouting objections. Judge Harold Medina could not brook the objections the weird, imaginations of the Government stool-pigeons, but not a word



JOHN GATES The Worker Editor

defense had had to make to the of censure passed his lips at Mc-Gohey's behavior.

bitter bias against Negroes when letter opposed Earl Browder's po he threatened to withdraw bail sition of reliance on Wall Street. from Councilman Benjamin J. spokesman for thousands of Ne-

groes and whites into jail. Earlier in the trial, spectators Negro attorney for two of the deovercome buy the emotion over an after its reconstitution in 1945.

official display of racial bias. Though the judge had mani-

DISPROVES 'FORCE' LIE

thing. All I complain about is my spies began to tumble from the ment insurance for the jobless. moment Cates took the stand and Secretary of State Dean Acheson testified in a calm, clear voice. famous Hunger Marches organized

intently as the defendant shattered the lie that the Communist party "plotted" to overthrow the Government by force during economic

The defense introduced official documents, pamphlets speeches, resolutions-a mountain of evidence-that truly presented the Communist position.

Gates identified the material which outlined his party's program for meeting the crisis of capitalism by bridling the monopolies. The trusts he told the jury, were driving the nation toward economic ruin, fascism and war.

One document read to the jury was an economic analysis and program to relieve the suffering of the working people, which Gates prepared in consultation with Eugene Dennis, general secretary of the Party. It was published in the Worker, Aug. 31, 1947. FOSTER LETTER

Another document in evidence was part of the famous January. 1944, letter by Communist Party The judge again revealed his Chairman William. Foster The

This testimony exploded the lies Davis and throw the duly elected of FBI labor spies that the Communist Party of America was directed from abroad.

Cates testified that while the gasped when the judge showed letter did not represent the line his spleen against George Crockett, of the Communist Party at the time (Browder's revisionist policies fendants. He veritably jeered at were in operation), it was the basis the lawyer who was momentarily of the Party's political position FIGHT FOR JOBLESS

Cates' own life-story had shatfested considerable displeasure tering effect upon the testimony when various white defendants of the stoolpigeons, who had tesrose to protest his rulings,: he re-served his shocking threat of immediate jail for a Negro defendant. overthrow the government by force and violence.

All during the years of the crisis, The house of marked cards the defendant did yeoman work. built by the Government's police even as a youth, to win unemploy-

He went to Washington on the (Continued on Page 15)

Vishinsky Asks U.S. Bloc Offer Amendments to His Proposals

PARIS. - Soviet Foreign Minis- Attlee in 1945. ter Andrei Vishinsky Friday invoted the U. S. bloc at the Four be proposed which would lighten ert Schuman said the U. S. bloc Power Foreign Ministers Confer- the atmosphere surrounding the ence here to offer amendments to German question," Vishinsky said. the USSR's proposals for a settlement of the German problems. Earlier in the conference, Vishinsky had proposed a return to the Potsdam agreement, which had been signed by President Truman, proposals have come from my col-Premier Stalin and Prime Minister leagues."

my will is not decisive here.

"Amendments might be sug-

Point of Order By ALAN MAX

British and American imperialists try to bolster their spirits over the victories of the home-grown Chinese Liberation Armies, by shouting that "no foreign power can rule China." They should

The day before Shanghai fell, the Kuomintang Army there held a Victory Parade-evidently this was to practice marching

The Western powers who are busy rejecting international control of the Nazi industries of the Ruhr would probably be glad to have international control of China

Answering Vishinsky's invita-"Possibly something else might tion, French Foreign Minister Robwould make known its position precisely and in writing. This referred to proposals now being "I am not one to yield easily but drafted in conferences among the American, British and French delegations to the parley.

Answering a statement by Schuman that he was complaining about the western powers, Vishin-

"I do not complain about anypoor old feet."

suggested that the ministers drop The courtroom and jury listened their present topic of discussion, the problem of four-power control of Germany, and to go on to others.

That, Vishinsky said, would be illogical. But he added that since

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pared to be considered illogical,
since the others wanted to talk THE WORKER

Bare Plot to Smear USSR as Anti-Semitic

By Robert Friedman

The New York Herald Tribune slipped. It wrote to the American Jewish Labor Council when it meant to write to the Jewish Labor Committee. The slip provided concrete evidence of the fact that the monopoly press in the United States is engaged in a

planned and concerted drive to smear the Soviet Union and people's democracies as anti-Semitic.

Consider: Within the space of a few short months, Newsweek magazine, the New York Times, Post and World-Telegram, to name just a few, have run series purporting to "prove" that the Soviet Union is an anti-Semite state. The articles parrot each other with remarkable regularity. Like factory shifts which spell one another, one publication starts its smearing when another subsides. TRIB NEXT

And then the progressive American Jewish Labor Council got this letter, dated May 9:

"Gentlemen: "I should like very much to obtain a copy of the report made by your organization some months ago in Atlantic City, detailing evidences of anti-Semitism in the Soviet sphere. It has come to my attention that your organization is in a position to have valid sources

"May I, although belatedly, congratulate you on bringing it to the attention of the public.

of information on this important

"Sincerely, "Keith Spaulding "Night Desk

"Herald Tribune News Service" Is it not curious that the Herald Tribune "news" service should suddenly desire a "report," admit-

cal subject?

At any rate, the Herald Tribune Committee." slipped. Its plea for manufactured URCES PRINTING OF FACTS can Jewish Labor Council. COUNCIL'S ANSWER

editor-in-chief of the Herald Trib- to print the facts. une, the Council declared:

News Service has, of course, ev- Jews. ery right to request copies of re- Three times in the last weeks. tion. The contents of this request, brazen use of lies and forgeries in however, prejudge the validity of the Times, the Post and Newsthe information desired and the week, all purporting to "prove" congratulations extended the Jew- the existence of anti-Semitism in ish Labor Committee go beyond the Soviet Union. the limits of objectivity and pro- When the New York Times ran News Service lays claim.

contents were fabricated in their prove it. entirety by a clique of professional Result? Faced with the evidence hate-mongers whose design it is to of its deception, the Times printed viet support to the national aspigenerate distrust between the peo- a tiny story in the back pages ad- rations of Israel. ple of America and those of East- mitting neither error nor guilt, but

ter, the progressive Jewish organi- "Zhid,"

I should like very much to obtain a copy of the report made by your organisation some months age in Atlantic City, detailing evidences of anti-Semition in the Seviet sphere.

It has come to my attention that your organisation is in a position to have valid sources of information. this important matter.

May I, although belatedly, congratulate you on bringing it to the attention of the public.

ABOVE IS THE LETTER from the New York Herald Tribune asking for ammunition to be used on its sector of the anti-Soviet campaign. The Tribune meant to write the reactionary Jewish Labor Committee for "evidences" of Soviet anti-Semitism, wrote the progressive American Jewish Labor Council instead.

tedly months old, on the alleged Herald Tribune were obtained by azine, Literary Cazette, showed anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union its numerous delegations to Jewish anti-Semitism by placing, after Is it not curious that the Herald communities throughout Europe. the pen-names of Jewish writers, Tribune's request coincided with They are facts which are detailed their original Jewish names, in pathe almost synchronized publica- and demonstratable, facts which rentheses. The Times followed on tion of press stories on the identi- "completely belie the spurious re- May 2, and the Post, on May 3, port issued by the Jewish Labor with the same charge.

'evidences" went not to the reac- The Council asked the Herald tionary Jewish Labor Committee, Tribune whether it was as willing creature of David Dubinsky and to make such facts known to the other rightists, but to the Ameri-public as it was to peddle the

anti-Soviet, lies. Need you ask what the Trib-In a letter to Whitelaw Reid, une's response was? It has refused

The reasons are obvious. The "It is apparent from the refer- Herald Tribune knows what it ence to the report made in Atlan- wants to print and what it intends population. tic City, that this communication to censor concerning the Soviet was intended for the Jewish Labor Union, the democracies of Eastern Committee. The Herald Tribune Europe, and their treatment of the

ports and other pertinent informa- the Daily Worker has exposed the

fessional ethics to which your a story (March 20) charging that the Soviet humor magazine Kro-"If this communication is the kodil printed an anti-Semitic carsole responsibility of its overzeal- toon, and used the word "Zhid," a ous and biased author Mr. Keith slurring word for Jews, in the cap-Spaulding, your newspaper should tion, the Daily Worker proved the certainly be interested to inform Times lied. We proved the word its readers that the Jewish Labor was actually the name of Andre Committee's Atlantic City report Cide, the French author. We it can best peddle the big lie that unions, whether they like it or not. on so-called, 'Anti-Semitism in charged that the Times lied in al-Eastern Europe, has been checked leging that the figures in the car-identical by convincing us that the every basic principle of trade by this organization and found toon were hook-nosed caricatures, Soviet regime is anti-Semitic. And union democracy." to be completely fraudulent. Its and we reproduced the cartoon to incidentally, halt and reverse the

em Europe and the Soviet Union." granting only that the Soviet car-In the rest of the Council's let-toon had used "Gide" and not

zation documented numerous facts But this didn't stop the Times on the "rapid reconstruction of from returning to its program of gram lied, how the Times lied. Re-Jewish cultural and economic life selling the American public on the member, too, the 85 Stalin Prizes in Eastern European countries" fraud that the Soviet Union is to Jewish citizens of the Soviet

These facts, the Council told the sue charging that the Soviet mag-theses.

Again, the Daily Worker exposed the lies. The Daily Worker reproduced part of the page of the Russian newspaper Pravda, of April 10, which proved the follow-

lin Prizes in art, science, etc. for of the CIO International Fur and the last year, 85 were won by Jews-and the Jews constitute less than two percent of the Soviet

where a writer or artist used a CIO Board must be rubber stamps professional name, next to that name, in parentheses, was placed his original name. This was done even when the person merely shortened his name, or used the diminutive, "Sasha," for "Alexander." The original name, without the slightest relation to the person's national origin, was placed in parentheses, according to Soviet custom.

In the same way, a book by Mark Twain in our own libraries, will carry on the frontispiece, the parenthetical insertion, (Samuel L. Clemens.)

growing respect and admiration of American Jewry for the firm So-

"Soviet anti-Semitism," remember how Newsweek lied, how the Post lied, how the World Telewith the encouragement and support of their democratic governments.

A story in its April 4, is prostituted itself with a few parents.

Nat'l Board Acts hreats to Unions

By George Morris

The CIO's reactionary controlling clique, in the first meeting since last November's Portland convention, moved to split the organization and laid plans to bust any unions refusing to abide by its dictates.

twenties has the labor movement Federation of Trade Unions with Not since the company-union been subject to such a submit-to-Wall St. policy.

The executive board of the CIO, usually by a 38 to 11 vote:

 Decided to recommend to the next convention of the CIO pact as "an aid to peace." that the charter of Farm Equipment Workers Union be lifted for its refusal to disband and turn the members over to the United Automobile Workers.

 Served notice to progressiveled unions that they face ouster from the CIO if their political and foreign policies do not conform to those of the CIO's right wing.

· Gave full approval to the raid of the steelworkers upon the Alabama ore locals of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers which was accompanied by use of Klansmen and anti-Negro terror, and directed the steelworkers to charter those locals.

· Voted to stick by the Thomas-Lesinski Bill but left a wide door legislative pilots when the mea- lecting dust in committees. sure came up in the House the first time,

· Decided to leave the World the charge that it was "communistled"-an action already carried out arbitrarily by secretary-treasurer James B. Carey last January.

Endorsed the Atlantic war

· Took a few minutes time out to give perfunctory approval to statements favoring wage increases based on "fair and equitable" profits; on economic policy, calling for a government-spending program to raise purchasing power, and a legislative resolution calling "upon Congress to keep faith with the peole."

THE MEETING met in a spirit of intolerance against the left unions with a fourth of the CIO's membership the like of which has never been seen in the CIO's 14year history.

Not a moment was spent in real examination of reasons for the betrayal of labor by those who won its votes last November. Nothing came out of the meeting that might open to approval of the new con- rally the membership in the fight cessions to the Taft-Hartlevites in to repeal the Taft-Hartley Law or corporated in the Sims Bill-an ap- to advance any of the other Truproval already given by the CIO's man promised measures still col-

The sole "explanation" of the (Continued on Page 11)

CIO 'Obey' Edict

The action of the CIO Executive Board was branded a "cynical edict" in a declaration of union policy adopted · That of several hundred Sta- unanimously this week by the International Executive Board

Leather Workers Union. "We reject and scorn any order or in-Taft-Hartley, the lack of "deter-sinuation," the statement ascerted, mined fight" for wage increases • That in every single instance that union representatives on the and other improvements (some for the right wing regardless of the wishes of the membership.

The declaration contained the charge that:

"The latest decree of the CIO leadership; which is addressed to the affiliated international and national unions of CIO and to their millions of members, states that whatever may be decided by the leadership of CIO on all issues, whether economic or political-regardless of how harmful or injurious it may be to the interests of the American workers and The reasons are obvious. The cepted by the membership and by monopoly press has decided that the elected officials of all affiliated Soviet Socialism and fascism are This cynical edict is contrary to

THE DECLARATION, a fundamental treatment of the basic issues facing labor-the fight against speedup, layoffs, for a wage increase, peace-added that "in the When next you hear or read of face of the impending new economic crisis and far-reaching political persecution in our country— we find that certain leaders of CIO shamelessly abandon the original program of CIO. They flout and the formulation of programs and in the administration of the affairs of the CIO, and they adopt poliworkers and the nation."

It cited the failure to rally a real mass fight for the repeal of officials even proposing no increases at this time), no struggle for needed social legislation, raiding, disruption of the World Federation of Trade Unions, violation of autonomous democratic rights of unions.

It called upon the CIO to return to its tradition of "progressive, militant and democratically-determined policies and program upon which its power and prestige were originally based," to stop raiding, rally the workers for a fourthround of wage increases, discontinue support for such war measures as the Marshall Plan and North Atlantic Pact, fight for civil rights measures and social legislation such as large scale housing, and elimination of "dictatorship in the CIO."

"The CIO was created by the millions of American workers," it concluded. "It belongs to the workers. It is not the property of a few leaders. It is now the duty and the obligation of every single member of the CIO to fight to restore democracy in the CIO and put the control of its policies back in the hands of its membership. In this manner the militancy, the fighting spirit, the progressiveness violate all democratic principles in of the CIO can and must be rebuilt, to enable the CIO to resume its rightful place in the forefront cles which are disastrous to the of the people's onward march for peace and democracy."

How Virginia Court Doomed Seven Negroes



Members of the Newspaper Guild picket the Bell Syndicate in the N. Y. Times building after a strike began when the management refused to discuss the newly-organized unit's demands. The Worker, which buys its crossword puzzle, fashion pattern, and the comic strip Virgil, has discontinued these features during the strike.

FIGHT JIMCROW IN THIRD METRO PROJECT

Parkchester Tenants Denounce Insurance Trust's Discrimination

By Louise Mitchell

A tenants' drive to end the lily-

its Jimcrow rental policies.

white status of the Metropolitan housing at Parkchester grew out management to "rent the next o'clock each day. Life Insurance Co.'s Parkchester of a meeting held there recently vacant apartment to a Negro famhousing project is under way, by the Parkchester chapter of the ily and to continue renting to Nemarking the third project owned Civil Rights Congress at which a gro families in appreciable numby the billion-dollar concern where resolution condemning the biased bers." tenants are on the move against policies were unanimously passed.

orous campaign for admittance of trial town. Negro tenants and at a recent parcitywide organizations.

helping the Canadian Seamen's unite, You cannot remain neutral. though tax exemptions at Town of legal lynching. Union to beat back the American Only idiots and fools can be and Village were granted by the

> WORKERS ON THE other side TION pointed out that "millions liminary hearing was held. Two politan's Life's huge profits which shunted out of the case. in turn have made Parkchester as well as Stuyvesant Town and Peter store clerks, small businessmen, to bear on Governor William Tuck projects ban Negroes.

Expressing full support for the campaigns at Town and Village, mittee, with its secretary, Tony the tenants embarked on a drive to involve the 12,000 families lo-

Meanwhile the fight against Jim-Unions have called for help to crow real estate firms took a setthe Canadian strikers in their ports. back this week through the help And in France the longshore- of the Appellate term of the New are tying up the Canadian ships reversed a jury conviction for discrimination against the Fred F. French Management Co. and or-

> the multi-million dollar realty firm, rendered by Judges Ernest E. L. Hammer, Samuel H. Hofstadter story. and William C. Hecht, Jr., was an unprecedented attack on the conduct of the trial by City Court Judge Francis E. Rivers, a Negro jurist.

The French firm was tried in May, 1948, under the Civil Rights Law, when a Negro dancer, Claude the same amount of time the prosthe 22,000-ton troopship, The Marchant, charged that two ele-Empress of Australia, walked off vator operators at Tudor City, a still being criticized by the townsthe ship in a demonstration of French project, refused to take him people. solidarity with the Canadian sea- to the apartment of a white friend, David Lown. Lown was evicted The sailing of troops to Port from the project shortly after the "Clothes Men Sing About"

DOCK WORKERS' strikes After a two-day trial the jury spread from Avonmouth to Bristol found the company guilty of dison the southwest of England when crimination in two decisions. Mara group of longshoremen were laid chant was given judgment for

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CANADIANS WIN BACKING AGAINST AFL SCABS

By Art Shields

Longshoremen of the world are waterfront goons whom the Seafarers' International Union, AFL, is flying overseas in the "scab of the world were defending Caairlift" operation that is disgracing nadian seamen against the SIU United States labor.

As The Worker goes to press, more than 60 Canadian ships, some manned by SIU scabs, are lying helpless and paralyzed in foreign ports.

These longshoremen have the unions of the World Federation of Trade Unions and all progressive workers of the world behind them.

Harry Lundeberg, president of the SIU, thought it would be easy to smash the Canadian seamen, when he signed a strikebreaking agreement with the Canadian shipowners two months ago.

The Canadian Seamen's Union was only a little union of some 10,000 members, affiliated with the AFL Trades and Labor Congress of Canada.

And Lundeberg had the money of the shipowners of the United States and Canada behind him. The SIU was only a little union with some 10,000 members.

And Lundeberg had the money of the shipowners of the United ping offices with signs saying: States and Canada behind him. And the police too. The gunmen, who were permitted to shoot seven Canadian strikers in Halifax last April with guns run from Montreal by SIU strikebreakers, are witness to that

THE CANADIAN SEAMEN, however, had a mightier allyworld labor.

Negro and white workerscolonial and European workerscame to the CSU's aid.

When Lundeberg's scab airlift unloaded a cargo of SIU scabs in Georgetown, British Guinea, for the purpose of manning a Canadian ship carrying bauxite for the Mellons' Aluminum Co. of Canada, there was trouble at once.

British Guinea's workers are oppressed colonial Negroes who hate scabs. And labor's local Political Affairs Committee issued a bulletin denouncing the strikebreakers from the "anti-Negro"

No bauxite must be loaded, the bulletin declared 1 3 de le sat

fighting the bosses.

waterfront scabs and American neutral. Help your Canadian city. brothers!"

The ship was tied up. strikebreaking.

Thus, workers in Capetown. South Africa, honored the crews of three striking Canadian ships at a demonstration and collected food and money for them. And the Trades and Labor Council help to set up a strike aid com-Jenner, as the committee's head.

In Holland the Netherlands cated at Parkchester. Seafarers and Transport Workers

that Lundeberg's scabs want to move.

Lundeberg's airlift scabs got the dered a new trial. hottest reception in Britain, where more than 10 Canadian ships are tied up.

There the London Daily Worker reported that London workers welcomed Canadian ships' strikers, who picketed Canadian ship-'No American gangster unions

for Canadian seamen. "Do you condemn the shooting

of seven Canadian seamen?" And in Liverpool the crew of

Said was delayed for some time. incident. off for refusing to handle cargo \$1,000 and cost of attorney. from the struck ships. More than 1,200 longshoremen took part in this action.

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MARTINSVILLE, Va.-Legal lynching on a mass assembly line basis is under way here with the sentencing to death of seven Negro men.

tween 19 and 20, and the seventh, with Mrs. Floyd. a 37-year-old father of five chil- 6) Judge Whittle, while keeping dren, are now in the state peniten- his judicial robe straight of many tiary in Richmond, waiting until minor legal technicalities, support-July. 15 and 22 when they are ed the prosecuting attorney on the scheduled to die in the electric major ones. He denied defense mochair.

They have been found guilty of other county. raping a 32-year-old white woman in East Martinsville, Jan. 8. Confessions were produced by police. estabilshed on that legal basis, the Witnesses were produced by the legal lynchings rolled out without Commonwealth attorney, when any trouble. Credited with masthe trials were conducted in the terminding the proceedings is W. county courthouse from April 21 R. Broaddus, former Henry County to May 2.

until 4 p.m. with precision like dus assisted the present commonregularity, each of the six juries, wealth attorney, I. W. Cubine. composed entirely of whites made One hundred and fifty project resi-recommendations for the extreme to a halt. Judge Whittle sentenced The decision to fight Jimcrow dents at the meeting called on the death penalty shortly after 4 the seven to the electric chair. Four

THE VERDICTS were a foregro families in appreciable num- gone conclusion before the trials even started. Since the alleged Tenants at Stuyvesant Town and rape attack took place in January other three are slated to die July Peter Cooper Village, two other a widespread campaign to "give 22. They are John Clabon Taylor, lily-white projects owned by the them the rope" has been whispercompany, have been waging a vig- ed and spoken in this little indus-

Apparently to prevent a mob ley enlisted the support of many from breaking into the county jail and set off a lynching bee that "Today Canadian seamen are The city administration has thus would have blotted the name of far turned a deaf ear to the de- Martinsville throughout the world, Workers of British Guinea mands of Met's tenants, even the authorities hit on the scheme

> The scheme worked this way: 1) Attorneys for the seven were appointed by Henry County Judge THE TENANTS' RESOLU- Kennon C. Whittle before a preof Negroes contribute through their other attorneys retained by the life insurance policies to the Metro- families of one of the men were

Cooper Village possible, yet these foremen in some of the large fac- in Richmond to hold back the tories, most of whom were friends slated executions of the seven men. and associates of the merchant whose wife brought charges against the seven Negroes. The Commonwealth attorney struck the names of Negroes off each jury as they

were brought before him. 3) Before these juries, Mrs. Ruby Stroud Floyd went into what apmen, affiliated with the WFTU, York Supreme Court. The Court peared to be a carefully rehearsed act as she told her story of the alleged mass rape. One man who saw Mrs. Floyd during the six times she took the stand said she sobbed at the same point in her The unanimous decision favoring story, cried out at the same point and went into hysterics at the same place each time she repeated her

> 4) The defense attorneys conducted very little cross examination of Mrs. Flyod. They didn't question the discrepancies in her story. One attorney, who held Mrs. Floyd on the stand for 20 minutes,

5) The defense attorneys only

placed five of the seven men on The smooth efficiency of Mar- the stand in their own behalf. The tinsville court and police authorities in perfecting Southern justice by turning out one-a-day death tions of the manner in which the sentences has followed a pattern alleged attack was supposed to reminiscent of the Scottsboro cases. have started and their knowledge The seven men, six of them be- of and, in one case, acquaintance

tions to move the trials to any

AFTER THE assembly line was commonwealth attorney who got The trials lasted from 10 a.m. rich in his 20 years in office. Broad-

The mass execution line ground of the men are to die July 15. They are Joe Henry Hampton, 20; Booker T. Millner, 19; Frank and Howard Hamptou, both 19. The 20; James Hairston, 20; and Francis Desales Grayson, 37.

The severity of the sentences galvanized the 5,000 Martinsville Negroes and their organizations throughout the state. The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People stepped in to take an appeal up to the highest courts to prevent the mass executions from taking place.

The Civil Rights Congress, representing Grayson, is cooperating with the NAACP legal staff, headed by Martin A. Martin, Richmond attorney.

So far court records are being examined to find loopholes on which to pin an appeal. Nothing is 2) Juries were selected from being done to bring mass pressure



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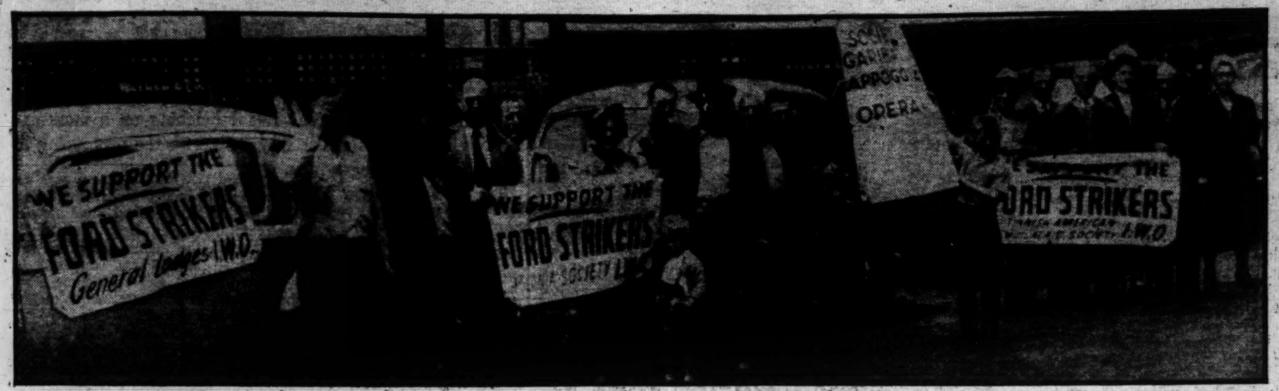
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A car cavalcade organized by the International Workers Order as it toured the Ford Picket lines in Detroit.

Furniture Union Blasts CIO Gagging Affiliates, Okaying R

The CIO United Furniture Workers on Friday blasted the actions of the recent CIO Executive Board meeting in upholding inter-union raiding and demanding that all affiliates follow top CIO political decrees. The UFW's International Executive Board

declared: "We deplore and reject upon which the CIO was founded" davits. The resolution asserted the effort and threats of the ma- and warned: "It is indeed alarm- that the IEB had been compelled any CIO international."

arbitrary ultimatum that interna- CIO. tional representatives who do not conform to the majority board dictates must be removed. Such undemocratic practices go against our grain."

stand was made at a press consecretary-treasurer, and Ernest March, director of organization.

Although Pizer had abstained CIO was founded."

CIO was founded."

CIO to protest the persecution of the longshoremen's leader. from voting at the CIO board supported the UFW position.

REVERSES HISTORY

It called the CIO board's decireverses the history and tradition

Quiz Mass Meeting To Hear 5 Experts

Five authorities on international affairs will participate in a question HITS ORDER TO FE and answer mass meeting in the

ent, William Howard Melish, for-formity with the paper majorities will be presented to Arthur Miller mer chairman of the National on the Board," the UFW leaders by the American Committee of Council of American-Soviet Friend-declared. chairman of the Joint Anti-Fascist CIO Board's decisions was dis-Refugee Committee, and Howard closed together with the announce-Fast, novelist, will appear.

of autonomy from internationals tions Board. "We cannot reconcile ourselves and, instead, impose a system of to dictatorial practices of coercion regimentation and control. This blasted President Truman and the upon international board repre- cannot but create a feeling of Democratic Party for failing to sentatives," the UFW statement deep resentment and distrust carry out election promises to reasserted. "We cannot accept the among the rank and file of the peal the Taft-Hartley Law. It also

a diabolical weapon that destroys locals. Announcement of the union's the heart of workers' organizations. The IEB also condemned the

union president; Max Perlow, practice in the CIO, but vigorously called upon Philip Murray and the

The Board assailed as "shockmeeting one week ago, it was ing" top CIO's "censure" of the made clear Friday that he fully Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union for protesting raids in Bessemer, Ala. "The evils of raiding indeed go far," the resolution went on, "when the attack upon sion "an edict which belies and Maurice Travis, secretary-treasurer of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union, resulting in the loss of an eye, is brushed off by a CIO Board majority as a 'minor

It also denounced that CIO Board's order to the Farm Equip-City Center Casino, Thursday, ment union to dissolve into the June 9, at 8 p.m., sponsored by United Auto Workers upon pain the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee of expulsion from CIO. "This is To Get Award only another form of beating inter-Ella Winter, foreign correspond- nationals into a dead level of con-

ment that UFW executive board made for the play, "Death of a Moderator will be Donald Og- had reluctantly decided to sign Salesman." Miller is a member of Taft-Hartley non-Communist affi- the committee.

jority of the CIO board to interfere ing when the CIO board majority to comply by the raiding attacks with the integrity and freedom of arrogates to itself the extraordinary of other unions which were able power to ban the precious right to use the National Labor Rela-

scored AFL and CIO leaders for In its resolution on raiding, the failing to put up a united repeal UFW board branded the practice fight. The resolution asserted that a cynical disregard of the welfare the decision to comply was not of organized workers. Raiding is mandatory on any of the union's

"We not only deplore this evil indictment of Harry Bridges and



Arthur Miller

The Writer's Award for 1949 Jewish Writers, Artists and Sciennoon. The presentation will be ity.

Navajo Miners Win Family-Life Struggle

Friday

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah.-Fewer Navajo workers will be available for off-reservation agricultural employment for Utah this year than last, reports the Utah ship, and Dr. Edward K. Barsky, The UFW's opposition to the tists at a reception Tuesday after- Department of Employment Secur-

At Bingham center of copper production Navajo miners greeted the decision classifying Bingham as a reservation so that families can for the first time live with the

Asks Payments on

the Labor Press Bazaar asks all New Yorkers. organizations to make immediate "I know what will happen to night meeting reported that police payment on all admission tickets. my brother if they send him back. Make the payments direct to the And I'm asking everybody in New bazaar office at 35 E. 12 St., Room York to write the Governor not

Urge Wires to Halt Extradition To Chain Gang

James Wilson, 29, is in danger of being sent back to a South Carolina chain gang and certain death. His legs still bear in-flamed welts and long, hideous lash marks are on his back-livid testimony to the seven and a half years of a life sentence he served in chains under sadistic guards, for slaying a man who molested his wife.

Wilson was arrested in the Bronx, N. Y., May 7, just two months after he escaped, hid in the woods, sawed his leg irons off and made his way by night to relatives in the Bronx. He is the father of three children.

Already the Civil Rights Congress has petitioned Acting Governor Joe R. Hanley to hold an open hearing before considering the extradition requests from the Negro-hating authorities in the Dixiecrat state of Gov. J. Strom Thurmond.

William L. Patterson, CRC national executive secretary, this week wrote Hanley, "James Pizer son goes to his death if he is sent presi- back to the state of South Carodent, and Max lina. . . . He is not a DP from Perlow (left), Europe, not a man fleeing from the fascists of Greece or Turkey, secretary - treasnor is he fleeing from the hangurer, of the man of Chiang Kai-shek. He is United Furniture fleeing from the inhuman racist Workers, which terror of the Dixiecrats, fleeing from one section of our country to another."

nounced the CIO In the Bronx Felony Court Friexecutive board's day, after an impassioned plea on threat to its affili- Wilson's behalf by CRC attorney Abraham Unger, Judge Henri Schwob declared: "If I was the Governor I would not sign the papers to send him back." Assistant District Attorney Walter H. Gladwin agreed, but Wilson was held to permit Acting Governor Hanley to decide.

"I have received a good many telegrams and letters," Judge Schwob declared, however. And that is the key to Wilson's free-

Already Bishop W. C. Willie and the Rev. Mother Lena M. Stokes have raised their voices in protest to sending Wilson back.
"I know it to be a matter of fact," Bishop Willie wrote, "that Negro who is returned to the chain gang after having been ex-tradited is almost certainly being doomed to death."

The management committee of made the best plea for action by

to sign the papers.

Bazaar Tickets

Beginning Tuesday

THE MARTINSVILLE MASS EXECUTION MACHINE AND THE VIRGINIA SEVEN

Four on-the-spot feature articles describing the legal frame-up of the seven Negroes sentenced to die.

> by Mel Fiske Daily Worker Washington Bureau

series of the loan was the page of the pag the wife been not be valued in the constant and the constant with will show that their disput there show made self to thought need need realliness will't with Here're multing for saven hours doubled to reap up with the man and their will you

Beating of Negro Spurs Rockaway Protest Move

The wanton beating of a defenseless Negro in Rockaaway Beach has roused the community to form the Rocka- apon Jews, Catholics, Italianway Civil Rights Committee to stop the mounting police bru- would follow unless the attacks tality. The committee was set up at a meeting Tuesday night were protested.

attended by 50 representatives®

May 7, standing outside his house at 217 Beach 84th St., at midnight,

from the Community Civic League, charged a leaflet issued by the King Arthur Lodge, Macedonia James O'Neil Defense Committee, Church, St. Baptist Church, Amer- formed shortly after the attack. Party and Young Progressives of O'Neal is a Negro they can do anything they please. Mr. O'Neal Special attention was given to is a law-abiding citizen of Rockthe case of James O'Neal, who on away Beach, innocent of any wrong doings. He is financial secretary of he was brutally beaten and booked reputable and respectable leader brutality and to wire Mayor as a policy player.

without cause, stopping people on ican Labor Party, Communist "The police think that because the street and refusing to let three 811. or more congregate on the street. "This brutality of law and order endangers the freedom, civil rights and security of all people white and colored," they pointed out. The meeting voted to affiliate was accosted by two policemen. the King Arthur Lodge, 24, AnHe was placed under arrest and cient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York. He is a Precinct to protest the wave of the State of New York. He is a protect to protest the wave of the State of New York.

O'Dwyer and Police Commissioner

Ministers attending the Tuesday

were barging into Negro homes

of thousands of people in England and other European

countries, will be greeted at a mass public rally at the Rockland Palace, 155th St. and Eighth Avenue, Sunday, June 19 at 3 p.m., according to Dr. W. A. Huntin, secretary of the Council on African Affairs.

The theme of the rally, Dr. Hunton announced, is "Harlem Speaks for Peace and Freedom," and it will deal with the pressing problems of the American, West Indian and African Negroes in their struggles for full and equal rights and economic security, and their relationship to the vital question of world war or world peace.

Paul Robeson and Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, chairman and vice-chairman of the Council on African Affairs, will bring to the meeting messages and greetings from noted African leaders whom they met and talked with in London and Paris, Dr. Hunton stated. Prom- Norway Unions inent representatives of trade unions, community organizations, Leave WFTU and the cultural world will also participate in the program.

Tickets for the meeting may be purchased at the Frederick Douglass Book Shop, 141 West 125th Street in Harlem and from the the latest step in the pressure of ties of several special groups. 26th St., under whose auspices the through the AFL and CIO, to dis-following panels: Labor's Rights meeting is being held.



PAUL ROBESON

OSLO, Norway - The Congress of the Norwegian Trade Unions rupt unity of world labor.

N.Y. Jobless Claims to Rise Over 500,000

Unemployment insurance claims in New York state are expected to by mail. jump from 468,000 to more than half a million in early June, acording to Industrial Commissioner Edward Corsi.

Corsi's prediction is based on the fact that 125,000 unemployed For Hotpoint Layoffs workers, who exhausted their benefits based on 1947 earnings, will be eligible for unemployment compensation based on 1948 earnings. The Hotpoint plant, General Electric Dennis estimate of more than half a million does not include workers who subsidiary manufacturing electric may have been fired from their jobs in May this year. Nor does it ranges, water heaters, dishwashers include the workers who are ineligible for unemployment insurance due to the law's restrictions.

Unemployed persons entitled to insurance based on 1947 earnings for any day of the week beginning May 30, will qualify for additional concern, made a net profit last ers of Michigan are being subpayments without interruption if they had earnings enough in 1948. year of \$124,000,000 or 39 cents jected. A new "waiting period" will not be required. They can file on June on every dollar of its net worth. 6 or thereafter.

Claims based on 1948 earnings will be accepted after May 30 cent increase over net profits the to try to break the Ford strike by from unemployed persons who have not filed claims for insurance in year before. the current benefit year or who did not earn enough in 1947 to But at Hotpoint the ware-ranks of the auto workers. It is qualify. Claimants in this group will receive "waiting period" credit houses are now full, and the com- your principals, the auto magduring the week of May 30, before the benefit year begins.

Those who file claims May 31 will have their claims dated cent layoff, and admits that it force and violence against labor May 30, provided they were unemployed, and ready, willing and doesn't yet know where layoffs and through their international able to work on May 30.

MASS RALLY TO WELCOME 700 Greeks Face Death ROBESON BACK TO NEW YORK Paul Robeson, returning to New York after a great fourmonth tour during which he sang to and addressed scores of thousands of people in England and other European By Fascist Firing Squads

More than 700 Greek Resistance fighters face death before monarcho-fascist firing squads, according to information reaching the American Council for a Democratic Greece. The majority of them have been imprisoned by the Athens government since 1945-46.

Civil Rights Parley June 25

Casino, 135 W. 55 St.

The New York State Council sions, have endorsed the confer- 1945. ence, and trade union leaders are meeting to consider how best to utilize conference discussions to meet labor's pressing needs, a conference spokesman pointed out.

The conference, endorsed by more than 250 public leaders, will hear reports from all parts of New announced Friday it had cancelled York State. It will consider the its membership in the World Fed- effect of the trial of the 12 Comeration of Trade Unions. This is munist leaders on the civil liber-Council on African Affairs, 23 W. the State Department, acting These will be taken up in the and Economic Interests, the Fight for Negro Rights and Against All discrimination, Academic, Intellectual, and Religious Freedom, and Community Neews.

Speedup Paves Way

CHICAGO.-Workers at the and restaurant counter appliances, against workers and their leaders are faced with an ever increased and have never protested the speedup.

Last year profits were a 30 per-

pany has just completed a 35 per- nates, who habitually practice

In telegrams to President Harry to Greek monarcho-fascist Premier S. Truman, Mrs. Eleanor Roose-Sophoulis in Athens. velt, Chairman, Human Rights

The New York Civil Rights Commission of the United Nations, Congress yesterday called on com- and Dr. Herbert Evatt of the UN, munity organizations to arrange Rev. John W. Darr, Jr., Secretary for participation in the June 25 of the American Council for a Conference for civil and Human Democratic Greece, called upon Rights, to be held in City Center them to intervene to save the lives of these 700 anti-fascists who made common cause with the U. S. in of the Arts, Sciences, and Profes- the war against fascism from 1941-The telegrams stated that the

American Council for a Democratic Greece had just been informed that "Resistance fighters imprisoned on Crete, other prison islands, and in Athens, have begun mass hunger strikes protesting repetition of last year's mass executions: Conforming to Prime Minister Sophoulis' instructions, the Council of Grace has denied the clemency appeals of all 700 Resistance fighters who made common cause with the U.S. in its war against fascism from 1941-1945.

"Athens government has ordered firing squads to prepare Registration is open from now their immediate execution. Mothers until June 25. The charge is \$1 of condemned men have issued apper delegate. Conference head-peal to peoples of the world. Wanquarters, at the New York Civil ton bloodshed and massacres of Rights Congress, 23 W. 26 St., will anti-fascists will shake the conreceive registrations in person or science of the world. The war against fascism was not fought for this. We urge you call upon Athens government to desist from writing a new bloody chapter in the history of Royalist Greek ter-

(Continued from Page 3) mounting police brutality and General Electric, the parent violence to which the Negro work-

> "Labor can only conclude that yesterday's outburst was designed sowing dissension in the solid cartel connections, promote the force and violence of atomic world war. In fact you yourself, as their spokesman, are one of the chief bipartisan architects of the Atlantic war alliance and hence a promoter of violence on a world

One year ago this month some 300% Resistance fighters were executed, ror. Save these 700 anti-fascists' 240 of them in the first week of

The Council also cabled protests

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Brewery Workers' Strike Enters Ninth Week Strikers Battling Speedup, for Shorter Work Week-Need Help

New York unions are waking now. up to the fact that the 7,000 brew- EMPLOYERS, however, hate ing of quadrupling the diameter ery strikers in the big town are the short work week like poison. of some of these pipes. fighting a battle for all labor as They have offered the workers And one-man delivery trucks they continue striking for the 35- five cash bribes in eight weeks to are speeded faster. Men have to hour week.

ing an end to the intolerable But a couple of bucks a week And dozens of drivers wear herspeedup, which has resulted in more mean nothing to the men nia belts or go to the hospital with the killing of 27 brewery workers who are fighting for human con-back injuries from carrying these in three years and the injuring of ditions of work, with more jobs 213-pound kegs down the slipmore than 3,700.

The strikers need help. The depression is looming ahead. battle, which began April 1, is The speedup must go as going into its ninth week today. hours come down. The brewery workers compare their fight for the 35-hour week

to the historic strikes for the

eight-hour day in the late 19th in the eight-hour fight, as they 1941 is producing more than the

85-hour week today. "Brewery Workers Local 1, the changing gears and speeding up of the Brewers' Board of Trade. Strikers held big demonstrations, struck a year for the eighthour day in 1898," said William men.

return to work at the 40-hour unload more kegs than before. The strikers are also demand- week and the old speedup.

The speedup must go as the

"Production has risen 300 percent since 1941 with less men than were working before," said William Greenstein.

Brewery workers were leaders installed in the breweries since husbands to desert the fight. are leaders in the struggle for the manufacturers guaranteed.

killing pace. The bosses are talk-scale."

These kegs weigh 213 pounds. for more men (at 35 hours) as a pery stairs of the taverns at top speeds.

> The two-man delivery truck is MUST in strike demands.

Strikers' wives are backing them in the fight. They are angrily rejecting an anonymous letter sent to every strike home Every machine that has been asking them to "pray" to get their

The letter writer pretends to be a striker's wife. Strikers say the Production is stepped up by writer works on the publicity staff

and Rupperts breweries last week. Greenstein, secretary of the joint executive board of the seven CIO locals here last week.

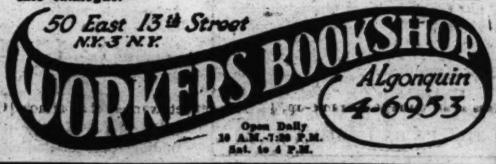
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Wall Street Wields South As Blackjack Over Nation

As fountainhead of racist poison and barrier in Congress to social welfare, jimcrow Dixie is a constant threat to welfare and liberties of ALL Americans. In their own interest, white Americans, North and South, find it imperative and urgent to help southern progressives destroy the system of Negro oppression.

By SAM HALL

Chairman, Communist Party of Alabama

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.

In Montgomery County, Ga., a young Negro farmer, Isaiah Nixon, is murdered because he insisted on voting. A small white farmer in Alabama walks into the tax collector's office in late January. A clerk figures with a pencil. "You haven't paid for six years and six times \$1.50 is \$9.00." The farmer shrugs helplessly and walks out. It's winter and he can't afford the money for the right to vote.

In Washington, D. C., the House of Representatives is in session. Its Democratic Party majority was elected on a program that included repeal of the Taft-Hartley slave labor bill. Already Truman has offered a weak compromise that would stab labor in the back. Emboldened by this act, the southern Democrats and the Republicans join hands in a familiar pattern. Representative Wood, of Georgia, offers a bill that would change the name but leave the fact of Taft-Hartley. Only a parliamentary maneuver by Rep. Vito Marcantonio, (American Labor Party, N. Y.) blocks the passage of the Wood Bill. However, these southern Democrats and Republicans hold the whip hand.

Truman Makes Deal With the Dixiecrats

This is not a new story. Throughout the days of Roosevelt's New Deal the southern Democrats, elected by a small minority of the population, teamed up with Republicans to block New Deal measures. A South which is controlled by the Wall Street-plantation landlord alliance instead of its people is a constant threat to the welfare and liberties of all the nation.

During the Presidential election the appearance of the Dixiecrats, a fascist

Solidarity Weeks Set May 29 – June 12

There can be no fight against war, without a fight against the war on the Negro people, incited by the nation's warmakers.

There can be no fight for "rights," which do not include "rights" for the 15 million Negro Americans.

For these reasons, a mass national campaign to FREE THE INGRAMS is being developed.

For these reasons, the 14th Convention of the Communist Party set May 29 through June 12 as "weeks of solidarity with the fighting South."

During these weeks, Communist Party meetings throughout the country will discuss the South. Southern Party leaders will address mass meetings.

Highlighting the "weeks of solidarity" will be the drive to FREE THE INGRAM FAMILY. movement, dramatized the fact that a reactionary-controlled South offers a springboard for rising American fascism. What should be kept in mind is that the Dixiecrats are actually the fascist wing of the Democratic Party. It becomes clearer daily that Truman has reached certain agreements with the Dixiecrats.

Jack Bell, a columnist for the Scripps-Howard chain of newspapers, wrote recently that Truman has made a definite deal with the southern Democrats. Bell declared (and he hasn't been contradicted) that Truman agreed not to push the civil rights program if the southern Democrats would support fully the cold war program. The facts support Bell's statement. When the filibuster fight, a necessary step to passing civil rights measures, came up, Truman left Washington and went fishing in Key West, Fla.; and southern Democrats give full support to all cold war measures.

What is it about the South that allows reaction to maintain such a tight grip?

The answer lies in a crescent shaped section of the South called the Black Belt. Negroes, descendants of slaves, make up a majority in this section, yet they live under the semi-slave domination of the plantation owners. They live in economic bondage, without political rights, and face open terror "to keep them in their place." The national oppression of the Negro people in the Black Belt results in backwardness for the entire South - to low wages, restricted democracy, and to low educational and health standards. Only the smashing of this oppression can open the door to progress for the entire South.

And that's not all the story by any neans.

In New York City the Negro people are crowded into the slums of Harlem. In Trenton, N. J., six young Negro men are framed on a murder charge. Race riots are instigated in Detroit to divide white and Negro workers. All examples of the discrimination pattern that faces Negroes all over this land. It all leads back to the South.

How the Cancer Poisons The Entire Body Politic

The cancer of national oppression of the Negro people in the Black Belt spreads its poison throughout our country. The Negro people in other sections can never win full freedom until the fountainhead of jimcrow is smashed until the oppressed Negro nation in the South is liberated.

New England textile workers see another threat in the South. Textile bosses are stepping up a movement that started decades ago - the transfer of textile mills to the South. This is proof of what a threat an overwhelmingly unorganized South is to the American labor movement. Industry has long maintained a southern wage differential which gives southern workers less wages than those paid to workers in other sections for the same work. Now industry is taking advantage of unorganized conditions to put over a differential in speed up. Southern textile workers are forced, for instance, to produce far more per hour than is produced by New England workers. This is used in turn to break down New England workers' opposition to further speed up. The organization of southern unorganized workers is a neces-

Key to organizing the South is the

the smashing of the oppression of the Negro people in order that labor and the Negro people's movement can be united into a mighty tide that will sweep away southern reaction.

The Crime of the CIO-Right-Wingers

However, rightwing misleaders of labor are more and more using anti-Negro prejudices among the whites to maintain control of the southern labor movement and to smash progressive unions. Right-



Hooded Ku Klux Klansmen gather around a Jiery cross on the lawn of the Emanuel County Court at Swainsboro, Ga., after marching in single file around the town square and through the residential section of town.

Negroes line up to vote in Georgia.

wing CIO leaders have adopted the anti-Negro weapon of the bosses and in many places are mixed up with the KKK.

Readers of The Worker who saw the picture of a battered Maurice Travis, international-secretary-treasurer of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union, began to understand how far labor misleaders who tie themselves to Wall Street's foreign policy will go. Murray sent Nick Zonarich to Bessemer, Ala., to lead a union-wrecking drive against the



SAM HALL

progressive Mine, Mill union. Steel leaders under Zonarich told white ore miners, "Join the steel union and get in a white man's union." Then seeing that this alone would not mobilize these white miners, they launched a KKK type reign of terror that was climaxed in the beating of Travis. Among the hoodlums used were KKK-minded white steel workers who bragged that they helped beat Nick Migas when he put forward a progressive program at the United Steel Workers' convention.

In Winston-Salem the Murray forces are raiding the FTA (CIO) locals that made history in the struggles against the Camel plant of R. J. Reynolds and in organizing Negro tobacco workers in the Black Belt area of eastern North Carolina. In short CIO misleaders have joined hands in tactics with the Wall Street-plantation rulers of the South to hold back progress.

Duty of Nation To South's Progressives

However, progressive forces in the South are growing. In state after state an awakening Negro liberation movement is winning victories in the struggle for the right to vote. Since 1940 the number of registered Negro voters in the South has risen from 150,000 to almost one million. The rise of the Progressive Party in the South has given southern people, Negro and white, a weapon that will prove historic in the coming period.

The reconstitution of the Communist Party in the South, following its liquidation under Browder, has been followed by growing strength and consolidation of this key weapon for progress in the South. The recent appointment of liberal Frank Graham to fill out a term as United States Senator from North Carolina was recognition of the growing militancy of the southern people. The rulers of the South saw that an open reactionary could not stop the movement of the people toward progress and particularly toward the Progressive Party.

Because the South is so important to the whole nation, workers and other progressives throughout the country must take steps to help southern people defeat reaction. A national anti-poll tax bill must be forced through Congress, as well as anti-lynching and FEPC laws. A great national crusade must win the freedom of Mrs. Rosa Ingram, whose imprisonment in Georgia is a symbol of the oppression of the Negro people. Workers must force labor leaders to organize the unorganized southern workers on the basis of full Negro-white unity and to fight for the liberation of the Negro people in the South. The suicidal "disorganizing" raids by Murray forces in the South must be stopped!

A full mobilization of all people's forces in the South and nationally can turn the South from a Wall Street reserve into a great people's reserve for equal rights and democracy.

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Negroes Spearhead Fight To Democratize the South

Southern whites are grappling with the growing realization that they cannot solve their own problems without smashing the jimerow system. But their initiative still lags while lily-white policies of rightwing labor leaders help the Dixiecrats and absentee Bourbons by retarding the growth of Negro-white working class unity.

By EDWARD L. HARDY

HOUSTON, Tex.

THE semi-feudal, semi-colonial, L backward South, with its nine million oppressed Negro people and great masses of super-exploited poor whites, is today witnessing a growing unity in struggle for Negro liberation unsurpassed since the days of Reconstruction after the Civil War. This fusion of the Negro people and a substantial number of whites, particularly workers, is unleashing the tremendous revolutionary spirit of the Negro people. It is also steering the discontent and struggles of the poor whites into grappling with the key question of. the South-Negro liberation. For these whites realize that they CANNOT SOLVE THEIR OWN PROBLEMS without dealing with this fundamental and basic question.

It cannot be emphasized too much that the great significance of this fusion lies in the fact that it is taking place in the South, striking at the heart and core of the national oppression of the Negro people. For it is from here that the oppression of 15 million American Negroes stems. It is the South, too, with its backward economy of lowest wages, and sharecropper and tenant slavery, that drags down the whole economie life of the United States. The extracting of super-profits from the Southern workers speeds up the economic crisis and makes it more devas-

tating. This great upsurge of Negro-white unity in the South has added significance because it takes place at a time when Wall Street and its Southern lackevs have embarked on a course of world domination and war in order to prop up their moribund, decaying system. This course requires that the expense of billions of dollars for Marshall Plan and Atlantic Pact armaments be footed by the American workers. It means deterioration of their living standards. But for the Southern workers, and in particular the Negro masses, already suffering from insufficient diet, housing in wretched hovels, and heavy unemployment-to fight Wall Street's course becomes a life and death question, a fight for their very existence.

How War Plot Intensifies Oppression of Negroes

The program for war advocated by the Truman Administration in the name of "defense" relies heavily upon the South to meet the fabulous budget. In short, it requires an increase in the superexploitation of the Southern masses. Therefore it requires not only continuation of the vicious Jimcrow system but INCREASED antagonism between Negro and white workers, among the peo-ple as a whole.

These brutal facts tear asunder the demagogy of Truman, strip him of his tin halo as a "savior" of the Negro people. His demagogy on civil rights served as a whetstone for the Dixiecrats and other fascists to grind their axe against the Negro people. If Truman is to be given credit for anything it must be for the increased bloodshed, lynchings, frame-ups that have been launched against the Negro people, coupled with a degeneration of the standard of living of the white workers.

For the Wall Street gang, hell-bent

starting an aggressive war against

the Soviet Union and the new democracies of Europe, the South is a testing ground and a base for establishing fascism. This is shown in the rise of the fascist Dixiecrat Party. To accomplish their aims of dominating and crushing other nations, the American imperialists intend to "secure their year" by beating back the rising national liberation struggles of the Negro people.

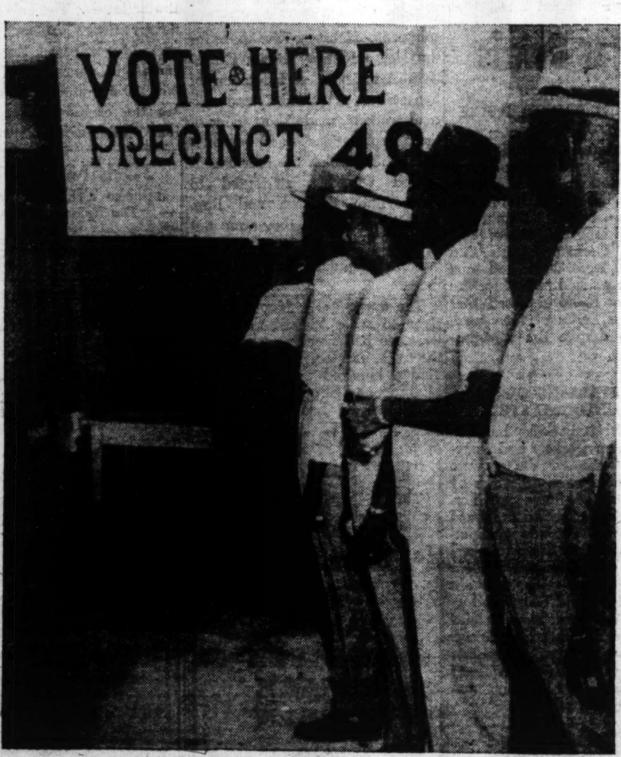
Thus the South has been thrown into turmoil by the establishment of the new political machine, the Dixiecrats; by the reviving or strengthening of the old fascist organizations (like the KKK); by the switch from demagogy to naked violence to smash the growing anti-fascist, antiwar sentiments of the Negro people.

Negroes' Struggle Unmasks Right-Wing Labor Officials

The Negro people, in alliance with progressive whites, are meeting the offensive of big-business head-on. The many interracial delegations to legislative bodies, the picket lines, demonand against speed-up-this fight is forging unity among the rank and file of Negro and white workers.

Thus the gap is widened between the reformist labor leaders, trying to carry out the program of big business, and the rank and file of labor. It is therefore no accident that these reformist labor leaders, in their new role for this period, hate and fear above all the Negro workers. They use the bosses' own weapon of white chauvinism, of "divide and rule," to force their policies on the

An outstanding example of the role of the Southern Negro worker can be found in the National Maritime Union, where in the last 10 months OVER 200 NEGRO SEAMEN were expelled in the Southern ports because they fought consistently and militantly against the attempt of president Curran and Co. to turn their union into a company-type, redbaiting, pro-imperialist outfit. Their heroic struggle, in the face of traitorous officials, goons, and police terror, laid



Negro voters go to the poll in Georgia

strative actions for FEPC, against the polltax, for anti-lynch laws, for an end to limcrow in education, for an end to police brutality; the great struggles to free the Ingrams and the Trenton Sixthese are direct blows against the barbarous system of Jimcrow, and national oppression.

The militant fight by Negro trade unionists in the South for wage increases; for an end to discriminatory practices in hiring, firing, and grading of employees; for a shorter work week

the basis for the recognition today by a large portion of white seamen in the Gulf that they must unite with the Negro members to return this once most powerful union to a progressive course.

In such examples as this, multiplied a thousand and one times, one can see how the Negro proletariat has moved into the leadership of the whole struggle for Negro liberation. One can fur-ther see how the Negro workers have served to stir the entire Southern working class to assume their historic rele



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of leading the struggle against the ruling class.

A basic feature that distinguishes the present struggle for Negro liberation, that gives it its special quality, is the change of leadership from the hands of the bourgeoisie among the Negro people to those of the Negro working class.

This transition of leadership deepens the revolutionary content of the demands of the Negro liberation movement, and provides new militant forms of struggle. Under the leadership of the Negro workers the basis was laid for winning united action with the white workers, for linking up the Negro liberation movement with the struggles of the working class.

The growth and high level of political consciousness among Southern Negroes is well shown in the number of Negro candidates for office in the South during the last national election. Twentythree Negroes ran for office in coalition with 37 white candidates on the Progressive Party ticket. The number of Negroes qualified to vote increased from 211,000 in 1940 to 750,000 in 1948.

In desperation, the bandits of Wall Street have called upon their henchmen in the ranks of the Negro people to divert and confuse them, betraying them into the hands of the blood-thirsty capitalists and landlord hangmen. What an outcry was made against Paul Robeson for stating at the Paris Peace Conference: "It is unthinkable that American Negroes would go to war on behalf of those who have oppressed us for generations, against a country which in one generation has raised our people to the full dignity of mankind."

Neither the labor reformists, nor misleaders of the Negro people, nor Dixiecrat lynchers will be able to halt the onward march of the Negro liberation movement. In the vanguard of this movement and of the working class are to be found the Communists of the South. The reconstitution of the Communist Party in the South, riding itself of the influence of Earl Browder's revisionism, marked a great milestone in the advance of the Negro people. Once more, the Communist Party has resumed that militant role which yesterday won the freedom of the Scottsboro boys and which today is again rousing millions in our country and throughout the world for the freedom of the Ingrams, and of the Trenton Six, for an end to the brutal oppression of the Negro people.

The Communist Party is the only party which advances a permanent solution for the Negro "Question": the right of self-determination of the Negro people in that historically defined area, the "Black Belt," where they constitute an oppressed MAJORITY, bound to land they have always tilled but never pos-

Only the Communist Party advances the demand that the Negro sharecroppers and tenant farmers shall own the

Only the Communist Party fights for Socialism, which would abolish exploitation of man by man, thereby ending forever national hatreds and national oppression, thus closing the door upon the capitalist system, source of the discrimination and oppression suf-

Eisler Victory Bares Frameup

(Continued from Page 1) been convicted in America was to prove that Eisler's offense was a political refugee from U.S. per- ASKS U. S. PAY COSTS secution, and not a criminal subtect to extradition.

Eisler was convicted in the U.S. on the frameup charge of making ment on a form was "100 miles false statements in passport application and of contempt of the Un-American Committee. He left the U.S. aboard the Polish liner tancy in saying they acted in bad Batory, which was illegally invaded faith." This was rejected by the at the British port of Southampton by British police acting on the court. peremptory demand of the U.S. State Department. American officials supervised the kidnaping.

In Washington, several memtish of "Ingratitude" for taking This, added Pritt, was "mucy roads in this country." Marshall Plan funds and then refusing to extradite Eisler. Rep. Clarence J. Brown (R-O.) expressed Republican solidarity with the Truman Administration's persecution efforts by accusing the British stances can that offense for which workers. He said the drive had BRT vice-president. He said he of a lack of "international cooperation."

SIR LAWRENCE A "RED"

Rep. John E. Rankin (D-Miss.) pro-Communist."

Attorney General Clark bemoan- jury claim stand up. ed the fact that Sir Lawrence's de- "No judicial proceeding was Congressional subcommittee exam- ception for Brazil's Dictator Dutra cision was based on "technical contemplated when Mr. Eisler ining the need for a Federal Fair by being brought to the hearing. grounds." He seemed unaware made his statement to obtain a de- Employment Practices Act. The Johnson, to "prove" his union practhat by this admission that under parture permit from the U. S.," he subcommittee, chaired by Rep. the law Eisler was entitled to be said. free, he was confessing that the Pritt demanded that the U. S. that the gross discrimination prac-railroads which excluded Negroes attempt to seize Eisler was based be made to compensate Eisler for ticed by the Brotherhoods for 35 on political grounds. That the two delaying his journey and the magis- and more years ago persists to this charges against Eisler, making a trate confirmed that he had suf-day. Their undemocratic history gagemen and yard foremen. false statement on a passport form fered "inconvenience and some was placed in the record in draand contempt of Congress, were amount of loss," but did not make matic and detailed testimony by bers had previously wired the subcompletely technical, not criminal, a ruling. was not commented upon by the Attorney General.

with the State Department on "sey- not some compensation should be eral propositions" to renew the allowed him," Sir Lawrence said. persecution of Eisler, but would not state what they were.

THANKS BRITISH FRIENDS

On hearing the verdict, Eisler broke into a wide smile, rose, shook INCITE NEW BERLIN hands with all around him, includ- ANTI-SOVIET PROVOCATION ing the guards. Derek Kartun, BERLIN.-Western sector mil-Worker correspondent in London, itary commanders ordered police reported by trans-Atlantic phone of their Berlin sectors to seize and talk behind which the four Brothto the thousands of unknown Brit-der Russian jurisdiction. Mobs in-hide. Both Houston and Rep. ishers "of all political convictions," spired by Social Democratic Powell emphasized they were not who had sent him cigarets and chiefs used shovels, stones and messages of support while in jail. fists. West German reports said This experience, he said, was so that 1,200 were hurt and one crimination practiced by many of overwhelming "I almost don't mind dead in the pitched battles for the them. having had to spend some weeks in El. Moscow Radio reported that

can reactionaries have been de-voked strike. feated," Eisler declared upon his release, "and I hope they will be MILLION ITALIANS OUT defeated again and again."

tle against FBI persecution and croppers of the Po Valley were pressed warm feelings to the "de- to southern Italy, it was anticipatto the defense of his wife.

outside the historic Bow Street sorb the jobless and boost produccourt, scene of some of Britain's tion; fixed minimum wage; eight-Eisler loudly when he emerged except for just cause; immediate However, a police escort did not allocation of funds for jobless allow him to stop to greet his workers; increased family and well-wishers.

In argument before Sir Lawrence, the attorney for the U. S.,

COMING

Tuesday's issue of the Daily Worker will carry George Morris' sion on the Italian colonies until reply to Irving Abramson, Eastern September, when the full Assem-Area national representative of the bly is to meet again at Flushing CIO. Abramson, in a 3,000-word Meadows. While the debate was letter to Morris, set forth his rea-strated in the streets of Tripoli, sons for not supporting the fight carrying pictures of Soviet Premeaders on trial.

Sir Valentine Holmes, attempted

D. N. Pritt, Labor Member of Parliament, who defended Eisler, retorted that making a false statefrom perjury." He demanded that the U. S. be made to pay the court costs "because I have no hesi-

said Eisler "was taken off a neutral ship because some American had been convicted of perjury." closer to perjury than anything of which Eisler was convicted."

ing Sir Lawrence hinted broadly fit for Brotherhood membership. said the British court "seems to be that he did not believe any amount These were but two of many retorted, "That's your opinion." of argument could make the per- documents read into the May 17

"That question should be and ington attorney. probably will be considered by Clark claimed he was working those responsible to see whether or

Foreign Briefs

"I am very glad that the Ameri- on the job despite the west-pro-

IN AGRICULTURAL STRIKE

He praised Polish authorities for FOGGIA, Italy.-Six hundred their efforts to aid him in his bat- thousand farm workers and shareadded that the ruling of Sir Law- joined in their week-old strike by rence had vindicated the Polish farm laborers of Rome province. Covernment's position. He also ex- With the strike expected to spread cent Americans" who were rallying ed that 1,000,000 farm workers would be out. Demands include Crowds, which had gathered land improvement projects to abgreatest trials in the past, cheered hour day; paid holidays; no firings cost-of-living allowances.

ARAB DEMONSTRATION HITS COLONY DEBATE

In a marathon session that adjourned at 2:30 in the morning, the United Nations General Assembly voted down the Beyin-Sforza plan for dividing Mussolini's former colonial empire. A Polish resolution was then approved to postpone further discusthe governments of the U. S. Britain and Italy.

Brotherhood Chiefs Squirm as been convicted in America was not extraditable. In effect, Sir Lawrence found that Eisler was a perjury, which is an extraditable offense. FEPC Probe Gets Jimcrow Proof

By Robert Wood

erhoods, in a joint letter on May of "antagonism" he seemed to de-15, 1914, demanded that Col. tect at the hearing. More than George W. Goethals, in charge of that, said McBride, his Brotherbuilding the Panama Canal, stop hood was only "a fraternal guild" faith." This was rejected by the employment of Negro railroad when it started. This, he implied, workers because "it is the policy Objecting to this ruling, Pritt of the train service organizations Grand Chief Engineer of the BLE, to oppose the employment of Ne- kept a straight face while he regentlemen swore on oath that he groes as engineers, firemen, con-minded Rep. Powell that his ductors, and brakemen, on the rail-

At the 1910 convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive En-"In my opinion," said Sir Law- gineers, one vice-president happily rence in dismissing the case, "it is reported he had abandoned the abundantly clear that in no circum-drive to organize Cuban railroad flaunting witness was Harry See, Mr. Eiselr was convicted in Amer- been planned before he realized favored a jimcrow union because ica be brought under the technical that the people of that island were that "eliminates disruption among head of perjury in this country." a mixture of "renegade Spanish and the men." When Cong. Powell Several times earlier in the hear- Jamaica Negro" and therefore not suggested such a view was neither

and 18 hearings conducted by a dent, complained he missed the re-Adam C. Powell (D-NY), was told tract provision made with many Charles H. Houston, noted Wash-

FOUR _ BROTHERHOODS vice-presidents appeared at the hearing, brought there on threat of subpoena. Houston, who spoke for the Negro Railway Labor Executives Association, a federation of five unions of skilled Negro railroad workers, made short work of the "explanations" and doublethat Eisler expressed his gratitude hold "El" stations, which are un- erhood witnesses attempted to hostile to unions but to the dis-

> The four vice-presidents were a most of the Berlin railmen were sight to see. Ancient men they were, on bad speaking terms with the truth, and wiggling to hide behind a hundred pretenses. Jonas McBride, BLF&E spokesman, acted like he had just returned

YOUR DATES STRAIGHT!

Don't Miss **MADISON** SQUARE

TUESDAY EVENING

GARDEN

from Heaven. His voice was sanc-The "Big Four" Railroad Broth- timonious and pious. He was

John Corbett, who is Assistant Brotherhood's "for white men only" clause not only kept out Negro railroaders. It excluded "white and colored women" as well.

THE MOST SULLEN and good unionism nor democracy, See

W. V. Johnson, ORC vice- presiticed no discrimination, read a con-"only" from jobs as flagmen, bag-

Several white Brotherhood memcommittee, requesting they be permitted to testify in support of FEPC. Their wires denounced the discriminatory policies of their Brotherhoods. The outrageous testimony their "leaders" gave the committee will lead, they say, to campaign among the railroads' 350,000 operating workers to wipe out the exclusion clauses in the four Brotherhoods' constitutions.

JOHANNES STEEL speaks TONITE (SUN.) "The Rebirth of Nazism

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MURIEL GAINES

Nat'l ClO Board

right wing for the diasters labor came with Murray's attack upon suffered in the new congress was red-baiting. That, too, was the "explanation" for the right wing's dismal failure to liquidate the FE, missed as an affront to Murray. rub-out.

goon attacks upon secretary-treasfused to be intimidated and answered back with vigor.

egation of some 70 representatives of Mine-Mill who demanded disciplinary action against those on Murray's staff who participated in the attack upon Travis in Bessemer. Hundreds of wires from all parts International Fur and Leather of the country poured into Murray's Workers Union shall be repre-

Murray. The charge that his henchmen used the white-supremacy weapon and kidnapings by Klansmen in their campaign against Mine-Mill brought the claim that such a charge is "line my opinion, the claim that such a charge is "line my opinion, the claim that such a charge is "line my opinion, the claim that such a charge is "line my opinion, the claim that such a charge is "line my opinion, the claim that such a charge is "line my opinion, the claim that such a charge is "line my opinion, the claim that such a charge is "line my opinion, the claim that such a charge is "line my opinion, the claim that such a charge is "line my opinion, the claim that such a charge is "line my opinion, the claim that such a charge is "line my opinion, the charge is "line my opinion, the claim that is the charge is "line my opinion, the claim that is the charge is "line my opinion, the claim that is the charge is "line my opinion, the claim that such a charge is "big-otry" against Murray. About 45 percent of the membership in the with Mine-Mill.

baiting orations, Murray referred to the attack upon Travis as just he "clarify" the proposals to deskirmish. Travis' right eye was termine their own policies. They already removed. The sight of added that the 30 UE locals in

THE DECISION to lift FE's charter came after a six-month unsuccessful effort to smash it. Reuther threw as many as 100 and 150 organizers into each plant campaign. The UAW's leaders admitted that only one raid, on the min' nlant of Harvester,

Another measure of the democracy in the CIO's top quarters

office, Mine-Mill, public and other unions marked at Portland for the gressive-led unions meet, they express their angry retort to the DESPITE the fury and hysteria clique-control and gangsterism the Murray forces built up and that has reared its head in the their official endorsement of the CIO and their determination not to yield an inch of their autonomy. urer Maurice Travis, the progres. Typical of the attitude was the sive mmembers on the board re-fused to be intimidated and ans. that unions replace their represen-tatives to the CIO's board with Backing them was a large del- men who would vote with Murray.

"With a great sense of pride in the democratic traditions of our union," declared the IFLU's board, unanimously, "we regret and scorn any order or insinuation that the office demanding that goon tactics sented in the CIO's executive and raids stop. The answer they received was persons other than the representaa vicious attack upon Mine-Mill by tives we have democratically and

President Grant W. Oakes, in a

"In my opinion, there will always be a farm equipment union. A wire to Murray by Riefa Bessemer locals consists of Ne-Kochert, secretary, and John T. groes who stood almost to a man Gojack, president, of the Indiana-Michigan district of the United During one of his prolonged red- Electrical Workers requested that a "black eye" and as a "minor" prive unions of autonomy to dethe other eye is still in question. the district "heartily endorse" the resolution of the CIO favoring wage raises.

> David Platt's Hollywood column will be resumed next week.

A MESSAGE TO THE N. Y. STATE COMMITTEE COMMUNIST PARTY

This is a reply to your call for fullest support to the Testimonial Dinner in honor of the 12 leaders of our Party at St. Nicholas Arena on June 3rd.

This is a reply and a pledge-to guarantee the success of the Dinner.

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We recognize the special importance of this Dinner as the starting point of a highly-intensified campaign to defend "the 12" and "the 12 times 12 million"-a campaign outside the courtroom which will match the heroic fight being conducted by our comrades at Foley Square. We see in this Dinner a way to honor our comrades on trial most meaningfully-by helping to advance the fight which they are leading as courageously. By fulfilling our pledges, our organizations will help make the June 3rd Dinner a true testimonial to our National Committee and to the unflagging struggle of our Party for the best interests of the American people.

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STUDEO PARTY! Come all members, friends! Consenial atmosphere. Polk-dancing, fun. Cultural Folk Dance Group, 128 E. 16th St.

Bronx

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UOPWA BRIEF ASSAILS BIAS IN JOBS BY INSURANCE TRUST

and only a token number of Negro mediate adoption of the fair em- victories would not even scratch ployment practices bill, HR 4453. the surface.'

Less than one percent of the office workers in the New York motion picture offices are Negroes, the brief said.

tions were still 97 percent "lily white", the brief declared.

CITE WAGE DIFFERENTIAL

averaging \$679 a year for high crimination. The time is overdue 10.

The CIO United Office and Pro-school graduates and \$972 for col-trade union movement has long doned the civil rights program fessional Workers made public lege graduates exist. It pointed al- recognized that the color bar is was denounced by the Civil Rights Harisiades, Greek anti-fascist bestatistics showing that big insur- so to the disproportionate rate of an instrument to check and weak- Congress as "another betrayal by ing held for deportation, has been ance companies, which operate unemployment for Negro workers, en the unity of workers in their an Administration notorious for its set for June 6 by Federal Judge

Through collective bargaining, office workers. The statistics were the union's statement said, some part of a brief presented by gains have been made in securing UOPWA to the House Eduction job opprotunities for Negro work-Committee. The brief urged im- ers, but added: "Ourmaximum

"It is responsibility of Federal Government to take the laedership through legislation to guarantee to Protest Milk Hike brief declared. "To the shame of Control Commission in Philadel-Even where Negroes succeed in our nation, minority racial, na- phia, June 2; Allentown, June 1; gaining skilled jobs, the UOPWA tional and religious groups have Lancaster, June 3; Reading, June brief said, salary differentials long suffered the ill effects of dis- 8; York, June 9; Harrisburg, June

when Congressional action must CRC Raps Truman be taken to wipe out forever htis un-American practice."

The fullest measure of security for tion. must be acheived.

"All American workers have a stake in this legislation," the UOPWA said. "The enlightened Truman administration has aban-

gated to poor jobs and low pay. and an anti-lynching bill stands for the Protection of Foreign-Born. To protect and extend trade union clearly revealed as cynical cam- Green urged all individuals and gains, equality of job opportunity paign demagogy." said William L. organizations to send protests to must be acheived."

Patterson, executive secretary of Attorney General Tom Clark de-CRC. "The Dixiecrats and white manding the release of Harisiades. supremacists, not only in the south The sudden arrest for deportabut throughout the country, have, tion and denial of bail to Peter every man and woman an equal HARRISBURG.-Protests in effect, been given agreen light Harisiades who faces death if de-As of 1947, white collar occupa- chance to acquire and utilize skills against a one-cent milk price in- by the administration to continue ported to Greece," Green declared, to earn a decent living in accor- crease now scheduled for July 1 and intensify their vicious attacks "is contrary to all American dance with his ability, the UOPWA will be held by the State Milk on the rights of the Negro people." traditions."

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Betrayal of Mandate Harisiades Bail

Argument on bail for Peter under state charters as "public now growing as the job market struggle for better working conditions and higher living standards. it by the voters in the last election of the mandate given to Murray Hulbert, it was learned tions and higher living standards. 23, also granted Harisiades a stay each worker and his family cannot "President Truman's campaign of deportation, it was announced be realized so long as any segment pledge to fight for the enactment by Abner Green, executive secreof the nation's labor force is rele- of FEPC, anti-poll tax legislation, tary of the American Committee

Harisiades, a native of Greece, has lived in the U.S. 33 years, is married to an American citizen and is the father of two Americanborn children.

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First Run-Broadway

AMBASSADOR- Dedee ASTOR-We Were Strangers AVENUE PLAYHOUSE-Guaglio BEVERLY-o Mr. Smith Goes to Washington; Charlie Chapplain Fostival
BIJOU—e Red Shees
CAPITAL—Tulsa CRITERION-The Lady Cambios ELYSEE- Carnival in Flanders FULTON—Joan of Are BOTHAM—Big Jack BOTHAM—Lady of Burlesque LITTLE CARNEGIE- q Intermore

LITTLE CINEMET-Woman Trouble MAYFAIR—Jigsaw
MUSEUM OF ART—e Mutiny on the Bounty
MEW YORK—Big Sembrore; Law of the West
MEW EUROPE—Nazis Return PARAMOUNT—Manhandled PARIS—Devil in the Flesh PARK AVENE— & Hamlet RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL—The Stratten Stery KO PALACE-Slightly French RIVOI-One Wemans Story RIALTO-Crash Dive; Show Thom No Morey ROXY-Beautiful Blende from Bashful Bond TANLEY- . Life in Bloom STRAND-The Younger Brothers

WORLD- - Last Step STH AVENUE PLAYHOUSE- Beauty and The Raven

BITH ST PLAYHOSE- Mensiour Vincen

East Side

AGADEMY OF MUSIC-Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary; Impact ARGADIA—Cavalleria Rustleana; Perfect Marriage Sun.: @ Marius; Bonchcomber ART- a Henry V

BEVERLY—Cosar; . Grand Illusion CHARLES—Finms of the Barbary Coast; Last of Wild Horse Sun.: The Crooper; G Mon CITY—e Eternal Husband; Eagle with Two Heads EMBASSY CINEMA—All Over the Town BRAMERCY PARK CINEMA-Escape; That Wonderful Urgo

BRACIE SQUARE-OTOP Hat; Invisible Man Sun.: That Wonderful Urge; Bollo Starrs Daughter RVING PLACE—o Pypmallon NORMANDIE- OUnfaithfully Yours PLAZA—Anna Karonina RKO JEFFERSON—o Boy With Groom Hair; oSot Up Sun.: He Walked a Little: Lets Live a Little

Sun.: My Dear Secretary RKO PROCTORS' SETH ST .- Jean of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary STUYVESANT-Sister Kenny; Wake Up and Dream Sun.: Velvet Touch; Blood on the Moon

Sun.: John Loves Mary; Grand Canyon BUTTON- Quartet RIBUNE-Sergeant York; Castle on the Hudser RANSLUX GOTH ST .- State Fair TRANSLUX 72ND ST.—Escape TRANSLUX MONROE—eSet Up; eBoy With Gre

Sun.: Sea Spoilers; Lady in a Jam TRANSLUX COLONY- - Palean; Caught Sun.: Penny Seronade; Code of Sectiand Yard TUDOR—Casablanca; G Mon Sun.: Return of October; Sheekperof YORK—e Mr. Smith Goes to Washington; Racing Luck Sun.: Serenade; Black Engle BATH ST .- John Loves Mary; Mourning Becomes Electra

Sun.: Return of October; Shockproof RND ST. TANSLUX-Moonlight Madness STH ST. PLAYHOUSE— Great Waltz STH ST. TRANSLUX—That Wenderful Urge

BOTH ST. GRANDE-Sergeant York; Castle on the Hudson-

West Side

ALDEN-So Well Remembered; Good Girls Go to Paris Sun.: Topper Takes a Trip: More Than a Secretary
SPOLLO—e Quiet One; e Professor My Sen
ARDEN—Command Decision; Henry the Rainmaker
Sun.: Sabetour; e Corvette K-225
BEACON—Sleeping Car to Trieste; Miranda ELMONT—Den Quixete de la Moncha BRYANT—Once Upon a Honoymoon; Second Chorus CARLTON—John Loves Mary; Dark Past

COLUMBIA— Casabianca; G Mon
Sun.: Return of October; Shockproof
DELMAR—Et Mage; Felipe Fue Desgrapinde
EDISON—Date with Judy; One Million B. C.

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Sun: The Pirate; Let's Live a Litie
ELGIN—John Loves Mary; Kidnapped
OREENWICH—John Loves Mary; Beschoember
Sun.: Galiant Legien; Aggel in Exile
LAFFMOVIE—Wender Man
LYRIC—Little Women; State Dept. File No. 848
MIDTOWN—9 Mr Perin and Mr. Traili; Caravan
MEMO—John of Are

Sun.: Impact: My Dear Secretary, MORMANDIE—Refflus NEW., AMSTERDAM—Sun Never Sets: Adventures End PIX.—Heaven Only Knows; Gallant Journey
Sun.: The Spellers; Bandit and the Lady
RKO NEW 23RD ST.—Jean of Are

RKO COLUMBIA-Joan of Are Sun,: My Dear Secretary RKQ SIST ST .- Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary RIVIERA—Return of October; Sheekproof RIVERSIDE—Joan of Are Sun.: Impact; My Dear Secretary

SAVOY-Bey With Grea Hair; eset Up Sun.: He Walked by Night; Let's Live a Little SELWYN-Mother is'a Freshman; Bad Boy SCHUYLER-Down to e8a in Ships; Bad Men of Tombetone STUDIO 65—Necturno de Amer; Alia en el Ranche Grande SQUIRE—Lost in the Dark; Carmela STODDARD-Return of October; Sheekproof SYMPHONY—Live Teday for Temerrew; Mezart Story TERRACE-Return of October; Sheekproof Sun.: Boston Blackle; Son of Monte Criste TIMES SQUARE-Bruto Man; Frontier Peny Express TIVOLI—eSet Up; eBey With Gree Hair Sun.: Penny Serenade; Last of the Wild Herses TOWN—eAst of Vielence; eThree Gedfathers THALIA—Feelish Husband; Devils Daughter WAVERLY-Mourning Becomes Electra Sun.: Escape; . Art of Violence YORKTOWN-Boy With Gren Hasir; eSet Up Sun.: Lady in a Jam; The Beas

Washington Heights

STH ST. PLAYHOUSE-That Wenderful Urge

77TH ST .- Boy With Green Hair; Sot Up

ALPINE- Mourning Bosomes Electra; John Loves Mary DALE-He Walked By Night; Lets Live a Little DORSET-Return of October; Sheekproof EMPRESS-Sofia; Miraculous Journey GEM-The Westerner; Murricane
HEIGHTS-Human Beast; Kiss of Fire LANE-Return of October; Shockproof RKO HAMILTON-Joss of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary; Impact RKO COLISEUM—Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary: Impact RKO MARBLE HILL-Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary; Impact UPTOWN-set Up: Bey With Green Hair

Harlem

ODEON-Return of October; Shockproof ROOSEVELT- Bey With Green Hair; Set Up RENAISSANCE-Return of October; Shockproof

BRONX

ASCOT-Blanche Fury; Place of Once Own ALLERTON- o Palsan; Caught BEACH-Down to the Sea in Ships; Bad Men Tombetone Sun.: Three Godfathers; Ast of Violence BEDFORD-Bey With Green Hair; eSet Up CIRCLE—Down to the Sea in Ships; Bad Mon Tombstone Sun.: Three Godfathers; Act of Vicionee CONCOURSE-To Be or Not to Be; Sundown DE LUXE-John Loves Mary; Bells of San Angele

Sun.: That Wonderful Urge; Belle Starrs Daughter FENWAY-Railroaded; Phile Vance Sun .: The Dark Past; Family Honeymoon FREEMAN-Family Honeymoon; Dark Past John Loves Mary; Night Time In Nevada GLOBE—Good Girls Go to Paris; Dynamite

Sun.: Golden Boy; Train to Alcatraz LIDQ-Gene With the Wind MOSHOLU—He Walks By Night; Lets Live a Little PARK PLAZA-Joan of Are

Sun.: My Dear Secretary NEW RITZ-The Spellers; Diamond Ilm Brady Sun.: All Laugh Show RKO CASTLE HILL-Joan of Are Sun :: My Dear Secretary RKO CHESTER-Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary

RKO FORDHAM-Joan of Are

ROSEDALE- o Palsan; Caught Sun.: Penny Serenade; Shaggy SQUARE-Boy With Green Hair; eSet Up Sun.: Escape; The Crooper TUXEDO-Joan of Are My Dear Secretary UNIVERSITY—Hairy Ape; Man Enter of Kumaen

Sun.: Fuller Brush Man; Thunder In the Valley VALENTINE-Boy With Green Hair; eset Up ZENITH-Volce of the Turtle; Gallant Legion Sun : @ Mr. Smith Goes to Washington; Bambi

BROOKLYN-Downton

CARLETON-Mether is a Freshman; Bdd Bey

BELL CINEMA-Whispering Smith; My Own True Love

Sun.: Down to Sea in Ships; Bad Men of Tombstone

FOX—Finningo Road MAJESTIC—Laff Show MOMART-That's My Man; Calendar Girl PARAMOURT—Connecticut Yankee; Lone Wolf and Lady RKO ALBEE—Canadian Pasific; oChicken Every Sunday RKO DRPHEUM-Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary; Impact SANDERS—e Little Women; State Dept. File 848 STRAND—Womans Secret; Fighting Feels
ST. GEORGE LAYHOUSE— Palsan; Caught
Sun.; Return of October; Sheekproof
TERMINAL—Return of October; Sheekproof Sun.: Ponny Seronade: Last of the Wild Heroes

Bedford

LINCOLN-That's the Spirit Sun.: Family Honeymoon; Dark Past NATIONAL- o Palsan; Caught Sun.: Hoppys Hollday; Gay Ranchers SAVOY-Mother Is a Freshman; Bad Boy

Crown Heights

CARROLL- Three Godfathers; Ast of Violence CROWN- Yellow Sky; O Unfaithfully Yours Sun.: Family Honoymoon; Dark Past CONGRESS— Boy With Groon Hair; Set Up ROGERS— Yellow Sky; Unfaithfully Yours Sun.: Casablance; G Mon RKO REPUBLIC-Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary; Impact STADIUM-Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary; Impact

Flatbush

ALBEMARLE-Return of October; Shockproof ASTOR—Overlanders; Dead of Night AVALON—Return of Outober; Sheekproof AVENUE D-Q Yellow Sky; Q Unfaithfully Yours AVENUE U-Q Throe Godfathers; QAct of Violence Sun.: John Loves Mary; Arizona Ranger BEVERLY—Return of October; Shockproof CLARIDGE—oThree Godfathers; oAst of Victores COLLEGE- - Paisan; Caught

Sun.: John Loves Mary; Mourning Becomes Electra ELM-Return of Ostober; Sheekproof FLATBUSH-International Lady; My Son, My Son Sun.: Hell's Davils; Gangs, Inc. GRANADA—That Wonderful Urgo; Belle Starre Daughter JEWEL-Dragonwysk; Do You Love Me Sun.; This Time for Keeps; Mr. Ase RKO KENMORE-Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary; Impact

KENT- Act of Violence; Three Godfathers Sun : Yellow Sky; @ Unfaithfully Yours KINGSWAY-Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary; Impact LEADER-Return of October; Sheekproof Sun.: Count of Monte Criste; Son of Monte Oristo LINDEN—Return of October; Shockproof

MARINE-Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary: Impact MAYFAIR-That Wonderful Urge; Belle Starre Daughter e Casabianea; G. Mon MIDWOOD—Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary; Impact NOSTRAND—That Wenderful Urge; Belle Starre Daughter

Sun.: . Palsan; Caught PARKSIDE-The Brothers; End of PATIO-Escapo; The Crooper QUENTIN-Escape; The Creper Sun.: @Casablanea; @ Mon

RIALTO-That Wonderful Urge; Belle Starre Daughter RUGBY—Family Honoymoon; Dark Past TRAYMORE—Mr. Ass; Under California Stars TRIANGLE-Farmily Honeymoon; Dark Past Sun.: Escape; The Creeper VOGUE—The Brothers; End of the River

Brighton-Coney Island OCEANA-That Wonderful Urge; Belle Starrs Daughter SHEEPSHEAD- - Palsan; Caught SURF- - Palsan; Caught Sun.: That Wenderful Urge; Belle tSarre Daughter RKO TILYOU-Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary; Impact TUXEDO— Palsan; Caught

Boro Park-Bensonhurst COLONY-Bandit and the Lady; Yankee Fakir Sun.: Waterfront at Midnight; Shaggy MARBORO-Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary; Impact WALKER-Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary; Impact

Bay Ridge

BERKSHIRE- - Palsan; Caught CENTER-Shocking Miss Pilgrim; The Sheet an Sun.: Swise Miss; The Contender COLISEUM-That Wonderful Urge; Belle Starrs RKO DYKER-Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary; Impact ELECTRA-Lady of Burlesque; Guest In the House

Sun.: All Laugh Show NEW FORTWAY—Wonderful Urge; Belle Starrs Daughter HARBOR—That Wonderful Urgo; Belle Starrs Daughter PARK-Roturn of October; Shockproof RITZ-That Wonderful Urge; Belle Starrs Daughter RKO SHORE ROAD-Return of October; Shockproof STANLEY- Yellow Sky: OUnfaithfully Yours Sun.: Daw Deal; Cannon City

Ridgewood-Bushwick

EMPIRE—Comand Decision; Henry the Rainmaker Sun.; Angel in Exile; Gallant Loylon RIDGEWOOD-Return of October; Sheckproof RIVOLI-Guest in the House; In Old Callente Sun.: Dynamits; Shaggy RKO BUSHWICK-Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary; Impact Sun : My Dear Secretary; Impact

Williamsburg ALBA-Belle Starrs Daughter; That Wonderful Urge COMMODORE—Little Women; State Cost File

The Rockaways

GEM-My Son, My Son; Blazing Across the Posce Sun.: Boston Blackle; Black Engle PARK—eSot Up; eBoy with Green Hair Sun.: He Walked by Night; Let's Live a Little RKD COLUMBIA—He Walked by Night; Lets Live a Little RKO STRAND-Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary; Impact

Brownsville

BILTMORE-That Wonderful Urge; Belle Starre Daughter HOPKINSON—Symphony of Life; Admiral Marhimov SUTTER—Casbah; @ Men Sun.: Laugh Show SUPREME-We Live Again; Overture to Glory

QUEENS—Astoria

ASTORIA-Jean of Are Sun.: Impact; My Dear Secretary
BROADWAY—That Weederful Urge; Belle Starrs Daug Sun.: Return of October; Sheekproof GRAND—That Wenderful Urge; Belle Starre Daughter STETHWAY-Beston Blackle's Chinese Venture; Black Engle Sun.: Ghosts on the Losso; Spooks Run Wild STRAND—Parola, Inc.; Jungle Goddes Sun.: Once Upon a Honeymoon; Eyes of Texas

Bayside

BAYRIDE-a Casablanca: Q Man. un.: The Wenderful Urga: B MELLAIRE-That Wonderful Urgo; Bollo Starrs Daw Sun .: Annal in Exile: Caught COLLEGE- - Snake Pit; Variety Time Sun.: . Palsan; Caught CORONA-That Wonderful Urge; Belle Starre Daught VICTORY-oThree Gedfathers; Ast of Viciones

Flushing

MAYFAIR-Dark Past; Gallant Logion Sun.: John Loves Mary; Angel in Exile RKO KEITHS-Joan of Are ROOSEVELT- Casabianea; Q Men uSn.: That Wonderful Urge; Belle Starrs Daughter TOWN-Wake of the Red Witch; Springtime in the Sierras Sun.: Green Grase of Wyoming: Doop Waters UTOPIA—Command Decision; Henry the Rainmaker uSn.; Down to the Sea in Ships; Bad men of Tombet

Forest Hills

INWOOD-Family Honoymoon; Dark Past Sun.: John Loves Mary; Gallant Logion INWOOD-Family Honoymoon; Dark Past MIDWAY-Joan of Are Sun : Impact; My Dear Secretary TRYLON- Yellow Sky; OUnfaithfully Yours Sun.: Three Gedfathers; Act of Vielence

Jamaica ARION-Sgt. York; Castle on the Hudson

Sun.: Yellow Sky; . Unfaithfully Yours AUSTIN- Casablanea; G Mon Sun.: @ Three Godfathers; Act of Viciones CAMBRIA- Paisan; Caught Sun.: Three Godfathers; Ast of Vielence CARLTON-oThree Godfathers; oAet of Violence Sun.: John Loves Mary; Mourning Becomes Electra CASINO—e Casabianea; G Mon Sun.: John Loves Mary; Mourning Becomes Electra COMMUNITY-He Walked By Night; Lets Live a Little CROSSBAY-That Wonderful Urge; Belle Starre Daughter DRAKE- Yellow Sky; OUnfaithfully Yours Sun.: Thre Godfathers: Act of Violence GARDEN-oThree Godfathers; oAst of Violence Bun.: Paisan; Caught JAMAICA-That Wonderful Urge; Boile Starrs Daughter Sun.: Boston Blacklo; Black Englo KEITHS-Joan of Are Sun.: My Dear Secretary; Impact LAURELTON- - Snake Pit; Variety Time Sun.: . Paisan; Caught LITTLE NECK- - Palsan; Caught Sun.: John Loves Mary; Gallant Applon

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MERRICK-Mether is a Freshman; Bad Boy OASIS-Thre Godfathers; Act of Viciones QUEENS-Joan of Are

Sun.: My Dear Secretary; Impact
RICHMOND HILL GARDEN—e Yellow Sky; e Unfaithfully Yours. Sun.: Wake of the Red Witch; Caught RKO ALDEN-Sea Spoilers; None But the Lenely Heart ROOSEVELT-John Loves Mary; Mourning Becomes Electra SAVOY- Casablanca; G Men

Sun.: Smashup; Start Cheering ST. ALBANS—o Three Godfathers; o Act of Violence Sun.: . Palsan; Caught

Woodside

BLISS-OThree Godfathers; Act of Violence CENTER-Last Days of Pompell; She Sun .: . A Night at the Opera; . Reem Service 63RD. ST.—That Wonderful Urge; Belle Starrs Daughter HOBART—Family Honoymoon; Dark Past
O Yellow Sky; O Unfaithfully Yours
SUNNYSIDE—Joan of Are
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RADIO PROGRAMS

WMCA-570 Ko. WNBO-600 Ko. WOR-710 Ke.

WINS-1000 Kc. WEVD-1130 Kc. WCBS-880 Kc. WNEW-1130 Kc. WLIB-1190 Ke.

WHN-1050 Ke. WBNY-1480 Ke. WOV-1290 Kc. WQXE-1500 Ke.

SATURDAY

MORNING 11:30-WNBC-Smilin' Ed McConnell WJZ-Jay Stewart Pun Fair WCBS-Junior Miss AFTERNOON

12:00-WNBC-News. Charles P. McCarthy WOR—The Tremaymes WJZ—Giris' Corps WNYC-Midday Symphony WCBS-Theatre of Today 12:15-WNBC-Here's to Veterans

12:30-WOR—News; The Answer Man WJZ—What's My Name WCBS—Grand Central Station 1:00-WNBO—Parm and Home Hour WOR—Luncheon at Sardi's WJZ—Home Gardener WCBS—Stars Over Hollywood WNYO—Music WQXR—News; Midday Symphony

1:30-WNBC-RFD America WJZ—Patt Barnes WCBS—Give and Take WOR—Monica Lewis

2:00-WJZ-Western Music WOR-Official Detective WNBC-Living, 1949 WCB6-Handy Man

2:30-WNBC-Edward Tomlinson-WOR-Affairs of Peter Salem WCBS County Journal WJZ Junior Junction
WCBS Report from Overseas
WOXR—Program Favorites 2:45-WNBC-UN Is My Beat

3:00-WNBC Pioneers of Music WOR Sisce Kid
WORS To Be Announced WQXR-News; Recent Records 3:15-WCBS-Adventures in Science

3:30-WOR-Hopslong Cassidy WCBS-Cross Section, U.S.A. WQXR-Music of Our Time 4:00-WNBC-Your Health Today WOR-Proudly We Hall WQXR-News; Symphonic Matines

4:15-WNBC-Horse Racing 5:00-WNBC_Lassie" WOR-Michael Shayne WJZ-Tee and Crumpets WCBC-Treasury Bandstand WQXR-News; Record Review 5:30-WNBC-Hal McIntyre _International Airport WQXR_Cocktail Time

EVERING 6:66-WNBO-Kenneth Banghart WOR-Lyle Van WJZ-Honey Dreamers WQXR-News; Music to Remember 6:30-NBC—NBC Symphony Orchestra WCBS—Red Barber

WOXR-Dinner Concert 7:00-WOR-Let's Play Games WCBS Spike Jones Show WJZ-Harry Wismer WNYC-Masterwork Hour WOXR-News; Music 7:30-WNBC-Vic Damone, Songs

WOR_H. R. Knickerbocker WCBS Vaughn Monroe Shew WQXR Opera Excerpts 7:45-WOR Answer Man

8:00-WNBC-Hollywood Star Theatre WOR—Twenty Questions
WQXR—News Symphony Hall WJZ-Pat Novak WCBS Gene Autry Show

8:30-WNBC-Truth or Consequences WOR-Take a Number WJZ Famous Jury Trials WQXR-New York Times News WCBS-Philip Marlowe

9:00-WNBC-Hit Parade WOR-Life Begins at 80 WJZ-Quiet Please WCBS Gangbusters WOXR News: Music

9:30-WNBC—Judy Canova Show WCBS—Basil Rathbone Show WOR-Guy Lombardo Show WJZ-On Tour with Art Mooney 9:45-WNYC-Top Talk

WQXR-News; Record Album 10:06-WNBC-Dennis Day Show WOR-Theatre of the Air ... WJZ-Earl Godwin WCBS_Sing It Again WNYC-Municipal Concert Hall WQXR-News; On Wings of Song 10:30-WNBC-Grand 'Ole Opry

SUNDAY

. WMGM-Bing Crosby Records

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AFTERNOON 12:05-WQXR Symphonic Varieties 12:15-WJZ-Poreign Reporter WNEW-Vaudeville Isn't Dead RADIO HIGHLIGHTS SATURDAY, MAY 28

PM 6:15-CBS Views the Press. WCBS.

6:30-NBC Symphony Orchestra. WNBC.

9:00-Hit Parade. WNBC. SUNDAY, MAY 29

12:00-Invitation to Learning. WCBS.

PM 1:15-Elmo Roper. WCBS. 1:30-Author Meets the Critic.

WNBC. 2:30-University Theatre. WNBC.

3:30-Juvenile Jury. WOR. 4:00-Wm. S. Gailmore. WLJB.

4:00-Quiz Kids. WNBC. 6:00-Oscar Brand Song Festival. WNYC.

6:30-Martin-Lewis show. WNBC. 6:30-Adventures of Ozzie and

7:00-Jack Benny show. WCBS.

Harriet. WCBS.

8:30-Henry Morgan show. WNBC. 9:00-NBC Theatre. WNBC.

9:00-Electric Theatre. WCBS. 9:30-Theatre Guild. WJZ. 9:30-Our Miss Brooks. WCBS.

TV 7:30-Grace and Paul Hartman. WNBT.

8:00-Jacques Fray Music Room.

8:00-Lambs Cambol. WNBT. 8:30-Author Meets the Critic. WNBT.

12:36-WNBC—Eternal Light
WMCA—News Builetine WOR—News—Melvin Elliott
WJZ—Plano Playhouse
WCBS—Peoples Platform
WMGM—Hour of Champions WNEW-News; Recorded Music WQXR-Record Rev'ew

12:45-WOR—Rendezvous with Rose WQXR—Ocrhestral Melodies :00-WNBC-America United William L. Shirer WJ7-American Almanae

WOR-Phil Tonken WCBS-Charles Collingwood WMCA-J. Raymond Walsh; Forum WNYC-Music with David Randolph WMGM-Four Star Review WNEW-Hollywood Open House WQXR-New York Times News; Midday Symphony

1:08-WQXR-Midday Symphony WCBS_Elmo Roper

1:15-WJZ-Edward Weeks, Comment WMGM-News; Jan Bart WLIB—Estelle Sternberger

1:30-WNBC-Author Meets The Critics WCBS-Syncopation Piece WJ7.-National Vespera WOR-Michael O'Duffy WMCA-Perry Como WLIB-Melody Playhouse

2:00-WOH Smoke Rings
WCBS—Longines Symphonette
WNBC—Homecoming
WJZ—Week Around the World WNYC-Brooklyn Museum Concert WQXR-News

2:05-WQXR-Viennese Melodies 2:15-WLIB-Harriet Johnson, Interviews 2:30-WNBC-NBC University Theatre WOR-Harry Hennessy WJZ-Mr President WCBS-You Are There

WQXR-Americana 2;45-WOR-H. R. Knickerbocker 3:00-WOR-Music for a Half Hour WCBS-CBS Symphony Orchestra WLIB-News; Music

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3:15-WJZ-Betty Clark, Songs 3:30-WNBC-One Man's Family WOR—Juvenile: Jury

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4:30-WNBC-Robert Trout WOR--True Detective Mysteries WJZ-Milton Cross' Opera Album WCBS—Skyway to the Stars 4:35-WNBC-Jane Pickens Show

4:55-WNYC-News 5:00-WNBC_To Be Announced WOR-The briad WJZ-U. S. Navy Hour WCBS-Wittnauer Choraliers WCXR-News; Record Leviews 5:15-WCBS—Art Mooney 5:30-WOR—Quick as a Plash WCBS—Broadway Is My Beat

WJZ-To Be nanounce

WNBC-Harvest of Stars

EVENING

6:00-WNBC-Catholic Hoar WOR-Roy Rogers Show WJZ-Drew Peamon WNYC Oscar Brand, Pork Songs WCBS Hour of Stars WMOM Recorded Music WMCA Popular Music WQXR News 8:05-WQXR-String Quartet

6:15-WJZ-Don Gardner 6:30-WNBC-Dean Martin, Jerry Lewis Show
WOR-Nick Carter
WCBS-Ozzie, and Harriet
WJZ-Greatest Stery Ever Told
WMCA-Ave Maria Mour

6:45-WNYC-Weather Report; News 7:00-WNBC-Richard Diamond WOR-The Palcon WCBS-Jack Benny WJZ-Curt Massey show WMCA—Showtime WNYO—Masterwork Hour WQXR—News

7:05-WQXR-Collectors Rems 7:30-WNBC-Phil Harris-Alice Paye WOR-Mayor of the Town WJZ-Carnegie Hall

WJZ—Carnegie Hall
WCBS—Ames 'N' Andy
WMCA—Play
WMGM—Voice of Prophecy
WNEW—News; Spirituals
8:00-WNBC—Fred Allen Show
WMCA—Echoes of Big Time
WOR—Alexander's Mediation Board
WJZ—Stop the afusie
WCBS—Sam Spade
WMGM—Cavalry Baptist Church
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WEVD Melody Moments
WQXR-Pop Concert "Palace Scandal," new German color film with music, will have its American premiere at the Stan-

ley Theatre on Saturday, June 4. A comedy-operetta of Europe in the 19th century, "Palace Scandal" is based on the stage play by Paul Verhoeven and Toni Impekoven and was written and directed by Paul Verhoeven, with music by Wolfgang Zeller. It stars Elfie Meyerhofer, Erich Ponto and Hans Nielsen.

Made in Agfa color and spoken in German, "Palace Scandal" is released here, with English titles, by Artkino Pictures.

Donald Thompson, star of the documentary film, "The Quiet One," has one of the leading roles in "They Shall Not Die," the John Wexley play about the notorious Scottsboro case, which will open the summer season for People's Drama, Inc.

The theatrical group, which was formerly known as New Drama, and whose theater is at 405 West 41 St., will open with the Wexley work on June 4, with all proceeds going to The Committee to Free the Trenton Six.



THETATTER

Curtain which did it no good.

Lack of a quorum at the Screen Writers Guild, meeting made it impossible for the membership to act on the board's proposed resolution against Fox for its ban on Albert Maltz' The Journey of Simon McKeever: However, the board will issue a statement on its bership for mail approval.

ducers; likewise, action on a res- officials tied to Fox setup? olution demanding a standby writer when writing is done on the set by a non-Guild writer after production has started.

ACTION FROM THE ASP

New Dangers Facing the Jewish People will be the subject of a symposium discussion at Embassy auditorium June 29, led by three of the Hollywood Ten-John Howard Lawson, Samuel Ornitz and Herbert Biberman. The discussion, planned by Arts, Sciences and Professions council as a community service, will be sponsored and supported by many Jewish organizations. It should have wide and popular response.

ASP is speeding up activities these days as the fight groups more intense. Its "Roll Call for Peace" will have wide community support in the drive to get millions of signatures in protest against the present war-oriented U. S. foreign policy.

Another exciting event is the ASP division's mass meeting in protest at Fox shelving of Maltz' novel set for El Patio Theater May 25. Arthur Laurents, author of Home of the Brave has dramatized The Return of Simon McKeever for the occasion, with Will Geer in the lead and a cast of important actors, with a special musical score written by Sol Kaplan, Robert W. Kenny, Carey McWilliams, Karen Morley and Maltz will speak.

Weekly forums on problems in the fields of films and literature

HOLLYWOOD.-The Red Men- are being held Friday nights; the ace, supported by a pressure cam- music division is planning a series paign inaugurated by William R. of Meet the Composer discussions. Hearst, will open in Los Angeles Fine Arts division is setting up on June 9 in both the Hollywood the first LA Beaux Arts ball at the and Downtown Paramount thea- Chase hotel in Santa Monica for ters. Hearst also ordered his news- June 11; the medical division is paper chain to support The Iron playing a leading role in fighting the Tenny bills directed against the professions.

And, in face of attacks, the council's membership is growing. At \$2 a year, it's a good buy.

20th Century-Fox quarterly financial statement shows that film rentals are up \$3,100,000 over last year's first quarter, that conown, will circulate it to the mem- solidated earnings before taxes are up \$400,444, that net earnings Lack of a quorum also made after taxes are up \$100,000, and impossible a vote to support the that Robert E. Hannegan, former board's recommendation for full Postmaster General, has been addand open guild participation in ed to Fox board. Remember Tattcontract negotiations with pro- ler's story on former government tal action Ton the Edition

> Lopert Films, also owners of the Washington, D. C. chain which is challenging Negro segregation policy of Capital's theaters, will irelease the Hungarian film of homeless children, Somewhere In Europe, this fall.

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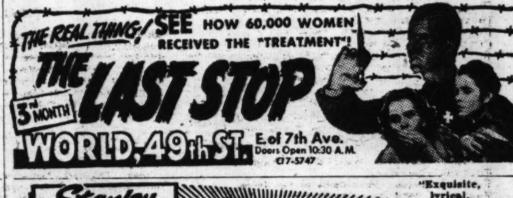
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Japanese Communists Expose Imperialist Squeeze on Nation

By Hugh Deane

TOKYO (Telepress).-A sharpening class struggle characterizes Japan today as the Yoshida Cabinet acts more and more obviously as the agent both of domestic and international monopolies, Kyuichi Tokuda, general secretary of the Communist Party, declared here in a comprehensive article published in Akahata, "Red Flag.

In his analysis, entitled "The Struggle for Democracy in Japan, Tokuda makes the following major points:

The government has transferred

Quebec Police Slug Strikers, Jail 250

ASBESTOS, Que. (ALN).-Strikers' blood splattered this mining town, dominated by the Johns Manville Co., when 300 machinegun-armed Quebec police assaulted French - Canadian strikers in the basement of a Catholic church. The police first read the Canadian militarism. riot act, which provides life imprisonment for everyone in any group of 12 or more persons that science, industrial technology and does not disperse after the act is read. The asbestos miners, 5,000 of whom have been on strike for designed to suppress popular opposition to its policies. It is trying to isolate the Communist Party, the town to prevent scabs from being brought in explaining that of whom have been on strike for ing brought in, explaining that democracy, and to suppress it by they did this only because they fascist-like methods. feared for the lives of their wives and children. The police at once broke up a peaceful meeting of strike leaders in the church base-ing class struggle, Tokuda wrote, ment with gun butts and black-"Even national capitalists and jacks, then roamed the streets, ar- small landlords are being comresting 250 strikers and beating up pelled to fight against the handful a large number. An American of monopolies and their agents. news photographer, Mike Rougier "After a long period of supof Life and Time, saw the brutal pression, the Communist Party of assault. "It made me sick to watch Japan has accumulated revolutionit." he said later.

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THE GOVERNMENT is placing the burden of loss from trade on the backs of the people, while giving subsidies to monopolies to assure them of huge profits.

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The government is lowering the national level of education, arts to that of colonial countries.

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ary energy for leadership of the

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JOHN GATES ON STAND

(Continued from Page 3) clear that he sought to overthrow capitalist class. hunger in America. MET "JUSTICE"

he was arrested in Warren, O., acy." as he was about to address a meeting in front of the courthouse to demand insurance and relief for force and violence when he was falist exploitation. arrested again in Newcastle, Pa.,

line during a strike. and best solution to the problems for the ultimate attainment of so- were threatened by the Judge. It of America," he testified, "and I joined the Communist Party because it was the party of socialism, ship of the means of production tion. in the hands of a few.

He said further that he joined the Party in order "to replace capitalism with a socialist system where the means of production are owned by all for the good and use of all."

"I also joined the Communist Party because I found it was the best fighter for the immediate needs of the people" he continued "and because of its program in respect to the Negro people-a program of complete social, economic and political equality - because the Party fights for such a state of affairs and practices this within the Communist Party."

Typical of the colloquies this alleging that the Communist Party educational course. has a plan for "revolution to take place during a 'depression' or during a 'war'.

RECORD BARES LIE

nomic crisis.

Attorney Sacher then asked: any time during that period teach and trusts. the overthrow and destruction of the U. S. Government by force and violence?"

"It did not," Gates replied. "Did you at any time as a memteach and advocate the overthrow political instruments; of the government by force and violence?"

"Never." FAITH IN MAJORITY

crises could be abolished forever vanced workers was by the establishment of socialism.

The editor then said socialism

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would come when the majority of by the Unemployed Councils and people wanted it. He pointed out the Communists to demand the that revolutions occurred only REBUKES COURT passage of a jobless insurance bill. when the people can no longer He was then a student at City live under existing conditions and College in New York, and it was when there is a crisis within the

government's position that the fight_against_anti-Semitism_and Gates further told the jury how Communists were in a "conspir-

He presented to the jury:

 A summarized Marxist analythe jobless. It was he who suffered sis of the current process of capi- defense sought to introduce two

• A description of the historic for distributing leaflets on a picket class struggle of the workingclass peared in The Young Communist The defendant said he joined economic and political fronts, the jected and the court refused to rethe Communist Party in 1933, role and program of the Commuceive the articles. while in Youngstown. "I felt the nist Party in the fight for the im-Communist Party had the only mediate needs of the workers and reasons for the refusal they, too,

of imperialism and Wall Street's exclusion of this evidence, and the of capitalism with private owner-imperialist aims at world domina-

> • Identification of fascism as opposed to democracy; the Communists' program for united struggle to extend democracy and defeat fascism and imperialist war.

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The jurors were each presented 119 W. 23rd St. with copies of the Communist Party constitution, which Gates identified, that calls for expulsion of any persons advocating such violent and irresponsible actions as the prosecution informers claimed were the basis of Marxist doctrine.

COURSE IN MARXISM

Members of the jury sat with week was this: Sacher read to the Marxist study outlines in their jury testimony by Herbert Phil- hands as the attorney read to them brick, second prosecution witness, the lessons from the party's basic

The jury learned that Marxists teach that "without trade unions the standard of living of the workers would be driven even below Sacher established, through the bare minimum necessary for Gates, that the years from 1929 existence." Also, how trade union to 1937 were years of deep eco-struggles "check the fierce drive of monopoly capital and win more favorable positions for labor in the "Did the Communist Partyy at struggle against the monopolies

The defense led the jurors further through the teachings of the Communist Party:

· How the workers learn ber or officer of the Communist through union struggles that they Party or Young Communist League must use not only economic but

> • The struggle against theories and ideologies the capitalists use to justify their exploitation:

· The working class need of a The Communist Party, Gates political party to realize itself as continued, taught "that the peo- a class and to recognize the need ple of the United States had to be of socialism in the course of dayprotected against the ravages of to-day struggles; and the fact that the crises. And in addition it the Communist Party is such a taught that the only way economic party, composed of the most ad-

DEFENDING DEMOCRACY

Sacher recalled that the FBI informer Louis Budenz had told the jury that Communists considered all persons who were opposed to the Communists as "reactionary enemies of democracy."

Gates ripped into the Budenz testimony. The editor said the "reactionary enemies of democracy" referred to in the Communist Party constitutions were the sections of big business referred to in the testimony. ... NAM, the 60 families, the groups associated with them. .

Q. "Does the Communist Party include any reactionary orgainzations among the enemies of democracy?

A. "Yes, it does. Sacher then asked Gates to name them. Judge Medina quickly wheeled his chair around and

had enough of this?"

"If the government concedes this is what the Communist Party taught," Sacher replied, "I'll rest."

"I don't think it is necessary to

go into the lurid details the judge snorted.

"I think," Sacher declared, "it The defendant demolished the is improper for you to refer to the racial discrimination as "lurid details."

One of the peaks of the week's proceedings occurred when the articles Gates wrote in 1939, following the Spanish war. They apagainst the capitalist class on the Review. Prosecutor McGohey ob-

When the atorneys sought the was at this time that a member of · An analysis of the character the defendants rose to protest-the cluding a democratic republic."

said: "Don't you think we have judge then threatened Councilman rose, and in the course of his re-Davis with jail.

> Robert Thompson-another defendant who fought both in the Spanish war and received the Distinguished Service Cross in World War II - expressed his

"The experience of Spain," he said, "has very profoundly infiuenced the position of our Party toward many questions, the problem of the state and many other questions, that are vital and essential in any presentation of the development of the line and policies of our Party. That is what you are ruling out when you are ruling out the question of Spain."

Eugene Dennis pointed out that "the matters we wish to bring before the attention of the jury and the court would demonstrate most clearly who advocates and promotes force and violence, and our position in this respect in our de-

At this point Councilman Davis civil freedom.

marks the judge swung angrily around in his chair.

"Now, Mr. Davis, do you realize that you may be forcing me to remand you during the remainder of the trial?"

"Well, I cannot help that,:" Davis said. "All I want to do is to say the truth. That is all."

Davis then added: "And if you wanted the truth you would let our party tell what it teaches and advocates in Spain and elsewhere."

The judge again threatened to imprison Davis for the remainder of the trial.

It was a dramatic, telling week in the court. For the first time the jury could see how a Communist works and thinks. And how the court authority reacts.

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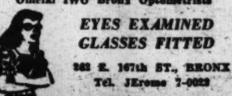
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YANKS STARTI

GOT SEVEN STARTERS,' SAYS STENGEL

They were sorry for poor old Casey Stengel when he started the American League season with a team rated on the downhill path even IF the peerless Joe DiMaggio were in there. Without the unfortunate Frisco slugger it looked like the end and many were the stories written about the crum-

bling of the Yankee empire.

But here it is nearly June with

the Yanks atop the league, and the

league, including the favored Red

Sox and Indians, are beginning to

take the Yanks very very seriously!

Of course, it's not Stengel's doing.

There are no baseball miracle man-

agers (though nobody can find

fault with Casey to date). The

After a good look at the entire

league, Casey Stengel's estima-

tion of the probable finish has

Yankee success has a very material

basis, so material that the team

may pick up momentum on it and

fool a lot of people, including

It's composed of what is today

the best pitching staff in the game,

bellwethered by big Vic Raschi.

a Newark grad who filled in for

Stirnweiss, hit much harder than

George and gradually learned the

new position, and Cene Woodling,

PCL batting leader who has

The improved holdovers: Larry

Berra, catcher who has been helped immeasurably by the tutor-

ing of Bill Dickey, and Bobby

Brown, who is living down the

bum fielding rap with increasing

efficiency around third now that

Phil Rizzuto is still Phil Rizzuto

and Tommy Henrich is still Tom-

my Henrich, only a little more sol

Old Reliable has really come up

"I think I've got six or seven

starters," Stengel said Friday. "I

like 'em all. But you can't take

chances with a first place club by

starting fellows out of rotation.

And a good pitcher needs to work

more often than once a week. So

some of the guys just can't get in

Stengel said his hardest job as

"You can't blame guys for get-

manager of the Yankees was "to

keep all of the pitchers satisfied.

ting burned up if they don't go

regularly," he said. "Well, what I

do is try to have some of them

ready to go just in case the starter

does go bad. That worked fine in

two games lately. When Lopat had

trouble against the Browns the

other night I put in Allie Reynolds

and he did a great job to win the

ball game. Fred Sanford did the

same thing for us against the

White Sox when Frank Shea

as starters."

to help fill the DiMaggio gap.

weighed in with some big hits.

A combination of surprising

Messrs. Veeck and Yawkey.

Cleveland Papers

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been revised to:

2. RED SOX.

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Negro League Champs Here

The Birmingham Black Barons, Negro League champions, meet the New York Cubans in an attractive doubleheader Sunday at the Polo Grounds. The Barons will throw

their ace pitchers at the locals, who are leading the league. Alonzo Perry; who won 10 and lost 2, will hurl the opener, with Jimmy Newberry, 14-15 winner las year and holder of a no hitter this year, goin in the nightcap.

This will be the Cubans' debut in New York, as they were rained out last Sunday.

Among the many stars on display with the visitors is Piper Davis, famed second baseman. Willie Mays, 18 year old centerfielder who was pisked as "Rookie of the Year" last season, when he hit .355 and showed the best arm in the league, will be looked at by sev- Birmingham catcher who hit .350 eral scouts.



In Yankee Hair HOLIDAY WEEKEND

SATURDAY A's at Yankee Stadium, Braves at Ebbets Field. IC4A Track Finals at Randalls

SUNDAY A's at Yankee Stadium Braves at Ebbets Field Black Barons at Polo Grounds (2). always could hit and still does. MONDAY

2-Trumpet King, Evans Mountain, Clytie.

shee.

4-Two Lea, Lady Dorimar, Ochita.

5-Mangohick, Colosal, King Rhymer.

6-Wistful, Gaffery, The Fat Lady 7-Reaming Feet, Blue Hills,

8-Fighting Hard, Best Effort, Landlord.

Al's Selections, by the Daily Worker's racing handicapper, appears daily in the Daily Worker 2-star edition.



EDDIE JOOST is key man of the A's drive to dump the Yankee applecart this weekend and go on to glory. The 33 year old shortstop who never hit for beans in the National League gets better by the year. Right now he's clouting a terrific .331 and do you know a better candidate for AL All Star short-

All Fights Off

An insistent demand by the Box-, powerful new boxing monopoly ing Managers Guild for part of . . exclusive radio and television regular rotation starters, Vic the rich "take" in radio and tele-rights. . . . As of now, main event- Raschi, Lopat, Tommy Bryne, and vising of bouts had apparently ers receive only \$12 (correct Bob Porterfield, with Reynolds, ended boxing in New York for some time. Two fights have al- twelve!) dollars for television of ready been cancelled, and there the bouts.

Score Board

By Lester Rodney



Strikeout Kings Wanted

WHERE OH WHERE are the strikeout kings of yesteryear? A look at the current pitching performances reveals a slacking off in this department. Since Bob Feller set his 348 mark in 1946 and then changed his style, nobody else has come along with a real strikeout record. Last year, despite his shakiness for a long period, Bob still led the AL with 164, a far cry from his record. Brecheen of the Cards led the National with 149, but isn't hitting a fast strikeout pace this year.

Hal Newhouser has been averaging about five per game, which will probably win him the AL title but not come close to any marks. Brooklyn's Ralph Branca is hitting about the same pace. Actually, both are apt to stress strikeouts less rather than more in time to come. There is no little suspicion about Feller's concentration on whiffing in 1946 contributed to the losing of some of his speed and elasticity. It will be recalled that Bob himself announced after that tremendous feat that he would now concentrate on control and winning games instead, so he may have suspected that it did him no good to try blowing 'em all down.

Easter and the "Free Press"

LUKE EASTER, the tremendous rookie slugger playing for Cleveland's San Diego farm in the Pacific Coast League, is hot about the way certain Coast writers are misquoting him and trying to present him in the usual Negro stereotype. They take contemptuous liberties with him they never dare with white players. So Easter discovered a scurrilous piece in the sheet called Pacific Coast League Baseball Magazine filled with Stepin Fetchit dialect. The whole thing was sheer fabrication, the writer never having interviewed Easter at all. Freedom of the press, you know. Blazing mad, Easter set about discovering who did the piece, so he could tell him off properly.

At San Francisco, he told a reporter of the "Peoples World," progressive West Coast daily, "Most of the reporters are honest and report what they hear and see. But there have been some in every city who put words in my mouth that I have never said. These reporters try to pretend that I don't know how to speak, that I am a man who has had no schooling.

"Each day I read in the papers some words I have never spoken, written in an ignorant accent. They're just nonsense words they make up and then pretend that I said them. If they can't report honestly I wish they'd leave me alone. Why don't they judge me on the number of hits, runs batted in and home runs - in other words, why can't they treat me as a baseball player?"

Easter went on with emphasis, "I am one of my people. I ect my people. I want to behave in such a way that they'll never be ashamed of me. But what are they going to think when the reporters write that I've got a swelled head? What respect will people have for me when reporters tell them that I'm a showboat. or a blowhard? I'm not that way and anybody who knows me could have told the newspapers the truth.'

There's a Reason

THEY CAN'T TREAT you as just a baseball player, Luke Easter, because they are prostitutes of the typewriter and their big money newspaper bosses are an important part of the never ceasing propaganda machine which pumps its big lie poison of white supremacy into its readers every day of the week in one form or another. They use not only the newspapers but the movies, radio, television, comic books and even the schoolbooks. Monopoly capitalism, which owns and runs for the profit of a few our whole great and beautiful and productive country, has to keep the people divided, has to conduct a special oppression of the fifteen million Negro Americans above all, and believe me, as long as they get away with it we all suffer from the insanity of depressions in the midst of plenty and war hysteria in the midst of the overwhelming desire for peace.

If this is "politics" in a sports column, it's the only way such a sports question can be honestly be answered. Speaking of the socalled "free press," the prominent Negro spokesman, Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, speaking at a peace rally at Madison Square Carden recently, said, "I'm beginning to ask myself why I should believe the same newspapers which have lied about my people for three hundred years, when they write about the Soviet Union, the countries of Eastern Europe and the 'iron curtain'."

Louis Found Out

JOE LOUIS became familiar with some of these newspaper techniques. An average, normal guy, he was forced to read about himself as a "sullen tiger" and things like that. It's interesting to recall how some of the more vicious columnists built him up as a "superman" after he became champ, a flawless savage fighting machine without weaknesses. What they were doing, of course, was trying to de-humanize Louis, the only resort left to white supremacists when facing someone of Joe's caliber.

Louis himself knew this was nonsense, that there were no supermen in or out of the prize rings, just human beings. He always felt, and expressed, respect for the possibilities of his opponents.

And lo and beheld, when he failed to knock out his opponent in a hurry, just continued to be a great fighting champion by winning again, the very writers who had created the superman myth now turned on him sneering that he was "overrated, dull witted," etc.

And even after Louis had retired and gone into the promotional field, when you'd think it was all over, he found the same thing all over again in a "press interview" that was turned into a sneering inquisition.

These white superiority guys can't treat Luke Easter as just another ballplayer, or Joe Louis on his merits as a fighter. They are always keenly sensitive to the Negro question in this jimcrow society of ours, something that hasn't always been true of white progressives, unfortunately, in the recent past

rookies and surprising holdovers is doing the rest of it. The first named are Dick Kryhoski, making the LLOYD BASSETT grade at first base, Dick Coleman,

N. Y. Cubans vs. Birmingtam he knows he's settled down. He

Dodgers at Polo Grounds (2).

AL'S SELECTIONS

1-Count Did, Chesty, Febridge.

3-Scuttleman, Luan Casca, Cloon

Shackleton.

will be no broadcast or television Among fights cancelled because He said he wouldn't give up on of the Cerdan-LaMotta fight in of the "strike" is the Ray Robin- Shea, the Yankees' big freshman etroit June 15th.

Son-Kid Cavilan welterweight bout star of the 1947 world champion-which has been scheduled for the ship campaign, who has been a which gives the promoters of the Polo Grounds in June grands "bust" since then

couldn't make it." Stengel's big seven now are the Sanford and Shea ready for early inning relief work or spot starting assignments.